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GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Lancaster Co., Pa.



CHOICE FLOWER SEEDS.

BLOOMING FIRST SEASON,

Acacia lophantha, lovely, fern-like, foliage plant, seeds easy to start.
Ageratum, new, large-flowered Dwarf, mxd, fine for sunny bed or pot.
Alonsoa, free-blooming, bright annuals for beds or pots; mixed.
Alyssum, sweet, white flowers, ever-blooming; for edgings and pots.
Ambrosia, sweet-scented annual, for bouquets; pretty foliage.
Amaranthus, showy foliage and bloom, mixed; also Joseph's Coat.
Anagallis, Pimpernelle, pretty annual: blue, scarlet and red; mixed.
Antirrhinum, Snapdragon, new, giant, fragrant; big spikes of gorgeous flowers; beautiful, mixed.
Arcotis, Breviscapa and Grandis mixed; large, daisy-like bloom; fine.
Artemisia annua, Sweet Fern fragrant foliage, easily grown; fine for bouquets; very pretty.
Arnebia cornuta, Prophet Flower, golden yellow spotted brown.
Argemone, Mexican Poppy, showy; yellow and white, mixed.
Asperula azurea, blue annual.
Aster, Park's Fine Bedding, 1 foot; Red, White, Blue, separate or mixed.
Aster, New Hohenzollern, large trilled blooms; 2 feet high; many rich colors; mixed; one of the best.
Aster, Giant Victoria, large imbricated flowers, the best; finest mixed.
Aster, New Christmas Tree, mixed.
Aster, Ostrich Feather, best mixed.
Aster, Peony-flowered Perfection, elegant incurved bloom, rich; mxd.
Aster, New Pompom, elegant flowers, white centers, choice colors.
Aster, Dwarf Bouquet, like a little pyramid set upon the ground; mixed.
Aster, Chrysanthemum Dwarf, very beautiful large blooms; 1 foot, mxd.
Aster Invincible, tall; large flowers on long stems; superb colors, mixed.
Aster, Yellow Quilled, a splendid yellow variety; the best yellow.
Aster, all varieties, splendid mixt. Note.—All of these Asters bear the finest double flowers: are unsurpassed.
Balsam, Park's Camellia-flowered, finest large-flowered Balsam; very double, all plain colors, also spotted; finest mixture. The best strain.
Bellis, Double Daisy, new, large-flowered, full double, hardy; continuous blooming; fine for edging; mxd.
Brachycome, Swan River Daisy, lovely little annual, blue, white, mxd.
Brorallia, fine ever-blooming, excellent for garden beds and winter-blooming in pots; mixed.

Calendula grandiflora, elegant double hardy annual; beautiful and showy; blooms through autumn and until the snows of winter. Mixed.
Calliopsis, Black-eyed Susan, very bright, showy flowers; yellow, brown, mottled; makes splendid bed. Mixed.
Callisrhoe involucrata, fine trailer ever-blooming, cup-shaped carmine bloom; hardy perennial, fine bedder.
Campanula, annual, pretty little bells in profusion, blue, white, Mxd.
Candytuft, bardy annuals, white carmine, lilac; big tufts, showy; mxd.
Canna, Crozy's Large-flowering very attractive; semi-tropical foliage and great spikes of bloom of various rich colors. Mixed.
Carnation, Margaret, large-flowered double, semi-dwarf, very free blooming, clove-scented, bloom's first season, hardy. White, Rose, Red, Yellow, Variegated; mixed.
Capsicum, Pepper, 25 varieties; all shapes, sizes and colors, edible; some good for pickling, others for window pots; fine garden hedge; mxd.
Celosia, Coxcomb, dwarf, immense combs, Yellow, Scarlet, Crimson, mixed; Fine for pots or beds.
Celosia, Plume-flowered, new, huge feathery heads rich colors; Thomson's finest strain; mixed.
Chrysanthemum, annual, double and single; free-blooming plants all summer; good winter-blooming pot plants; mixed.
Clarkia, Double and Single; elegant, showy annuals of easy culture; splendid for beds. White to Carmine.
Convolvulus tricolor, Dwarf Morning Glory; beautiful dwarf annuals; free-blooming, showy, in many colors from white to blue; mxd.
Cosmos, large-flowered, fine sort; very graceful, free-blooming and beautiful. White, Rose, Carmine, Mixed. Fine for cutting.
Dahlia, Single-flowered and Double-flowered, produce splendid blooming plants first season; finest special mixture 5 cts.
Dahlia, Extra Double-flowered; best quality, mixed, 10 cents.
Delphinium, Larkspur, annual, tall, branching, very double and showy, mixed; also Dwarf Hyacinth-flowered, mixed.
Delphinium, Park's Ever-blooming perennial; dwarf; fine for beds.
Datura, big, sweet, trumpet flowers, yellow, white, lavender, double and single; mixed.
Dianthus Chinensis, elegant Japan Pinks, best double and single, all the new, choice sorts in splendid mixture; bloom first season, fine beds.

Dimorphotheca aurantiaca, New African Daisy; golden annual of great beauty; splendid bedder.
Erysimum, new bedding, lovely, fragrant golden annual, somewhat like Wallflower; a sheet of gold.
Eschscholtzia, Cal. Poppy, double and single, large-flowered, white, golden, carmine, striped, mixed.
Euphorbia, showy bracted annual scarlet and white, mixed.
Fenzlia dianthiflora, very pretty, free-blooming little annual, pink.
Gallardia grandiflora, the finest sort; large, showy, long-stemmed blooms, bright colors; hardy perennial blooming first season; splendid for beds and cutting, mixed.
Gita tricolor, fine annual, mxd.
Godetia, superb, large-flowered, showy bedding annuals, fine, mixed.
Helianthus, Sunflower, finest double and single in superb mixture.
Hibiscus, finest sorts mixed.
Hummamania, Mex. Poppy, fine.
Ice Plant, fine succulent, mixed.
Impatiens, African Balsam, new ever-blooming Balsam for beds in summer and pots in winter, colors white to scarlet, mixed, splendid.
Kentworth Ivy, new large-flowered, splendid creeper to cover a Gladiolus bed, or deeply shaded ground; the best basket plant for a dense shade, drooping gracefully.
Lavatera trimestris, showy and beautiful, dwarf, hollyhock-like annual; white, pink, mixed.
Leptosiphon, very pretty, profuse-blooming annual, mixed.
Lupinus Nanus, elegant hedge or border annual; white, rose, red, mxd.
Linum grandiflorum, a grand red-flowered Flax, makes gorgeous bed.
Linaria, superb annual, greatly admired; like little Snapdragons; mxd.
Lychnis, showy and elegant perennial blooming first season; white, scarlet, rose, mixed.
Lobelia, lovely edging, basket and pot plant, finest new sorts; blue, purple, rose, white, mixed.
Marigold, French, rich colors and spotted, dwarf or tall, double or single; separate or mixed.
Marigold, African, double as a Dahlia; yellow and orange; dwarf or tall; separate or mixed.
Marigold Lilliput, dwarf, small-flowered, for edgings and pots, mxd. Also the Fern-leaved Tagetes signata pumila, for edgings.
Martynia, coarse annuals, but bearing pretty Gloxinia-like flowers in big clusters. Mixed.
Mathiola, sweet evening stock.

Matricaria, Golden Ball, Silver Ball, yellow, white, double, very profuse; mixed.

Mimulus, large-flowered Monkey Flower; mixed. Fine basket plants.

Mignonette, finest new large-flowered sorts; very sweet; mixed.

Mirabilis, Four-o'clock, Tall, Dwarf, Mixed, including all the new colors and varieties.

Myosotis, Forget-me-not, newest and finest blue, white and rose sorts; mixed; very handsome.

Nemesia, New Strumosa hybrids, large-flowered, very free-blooming; splendid, mixed.

Nemophila, charming hardy annuals of many rich colors; mixed.

Nicotiana affinis, new hybrids, white, rose, purple, mixed; deliciously scented. Sanderi, new hybrids mxd.

Nigella, Love-in-a-mist, New Miss Jekyll, rich double blue, also mixed.

Nyctertia, dwarf, tufted fragrant annual. Makes a fine bed.

Oenothera, Evening Primrose, large, showy biennials, bloom first season, beautiful; mixed.

Oxalis, for baskets, edgings, mxd.

Pansy, Roemer's Giant Prize, direct from the great Pansy Specialist in Germany; finest and largest Pansies known; finest mixture.

Petunia, Park's Mammoth, double and single, plain and frilled, finest mixture. Also Park's Elegant Petunias for pots and beds, mixed, and Park's Edging Petunias, mixed. These are all unsurpassed.

Pentstemon, New Gentianoides, large-flowers, bloom first season; mxd.

Phlox Drummondii, New large-flowered, all the finest colors, mixed, superior for beds. Also Hortensiaeflora, mixed, and Cuspidate and Fringed, mixed. There are no finer Phloxes than these.

Poppy, Annual, Giant, feathered bloom, very double; 3 feet; 2 colors, separate or mixed. Also Peony-flowered, mixed; Cardinal, mixed; and Shirley Improved, mxd. These are the finest Poppies known, elegant for beds, fine for cutting.

Portulaca, single and double, separate or mixed; very showy large flowers; like sandy soil and hot sun.

Polygonum orientale, graceful annuals, showy and easily grown; make a fine screen.

Ricinus, large, showy foliage, semi-tropical, make a bold group; thrive in dry, sandy soil; are perennial south of the frost-line. Mixed.

Rudbeckia, showy, beautiful golden-flowered perennials; mixed.

Salvia splendens, new, large scarlet sorts; make a fine bed; mxd.

Salpiglossis, New Emperor, very large, elegant penciled flowers of rich colors, mixed.

Sanvitalia procumbens, Double.

Scabiosa, large-flowered double; finest new colors: globular flowers on long stems. A splendid annual.

Schizanthus, Butterfly Flower, very profuse blooming, beautiful annuals for beds or pots. Mixed.

Senecio elegans, fine bedding plant, double, charming colors, blue, white, rose, yellow, purple, mixed.

Silene pendula, hardy annual, trailing rich double flowers; mixed.

Solanum, best fruiting sorts, mxd.

Ten Weeks Stock, New Hollyhook-flowered, the finest; big spikes of double, richly scented flowers, mixed. Also, Dwarf German, mxd; Perpetual Perfection, mixed; Giant of Nice, mixed; Giant Perfection, and others. My Stocks are first-class.

Tropaeolum, Tom Thumb, Dwarf Nasturtium, mixed, elegant for beds. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., pound \$1.25. Also Lilliput, new Baby Nasturtium, mxd.

Verbena, large-flowered, fragrant, splendid for garden beds in summer, or window pots in winter. All rich colors from white to scarlet and rich blue, also variegated; separate or mixed. My seeds are first-class. Also New Dwarf Compact, mixed.

Vinca Rosea, charming annual; ever-blooming; for beds or pots; mxd.

Virginia Stock, annual, for masses in the garden, or pots in the house; many rich colors, mixed.

Viola, Tufted Pansy, almost as showy as Pansies, and stand sun better; make a fine bed; large, fragrant flowers, richest colors, mixed.

Viscaria oculata, fine, showy annuals, mixed.

Wall-flower, Parisian, splendid sort, rich, fragrant spikes; blooms first season; brown, red, yellow, mxd.

Zinnia, Improved Double Bedding, a showy and beautiful annual, blooming all the season; flowers large, and as bright as a Dahlia; makes a fine bed. Mixed. Also Mammoth, Fringed, Crispa and Striped.

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES.

Agrostis nebulosa, Animated Oat, Briza in variety, Bromus, Hordeum, Job's Tears, Hare's Tail Grass, Panicum virgatum, plicatum, sulcatum, Feather Grass, Tricholeina, etc., separate or mixed.

EVERLASTING FLOWERS

Acroclium, mixed; Ammobium grandiflorum; Gomphrena or German Clover, mixed; Gypsophila, mixed; Helipterum; Double Helichrysum, mixed; Rhodantha, mixed; Statice, mixed; Waltzia grandiflora; Double Xeranthemum, mixed. Also complete mixture of all kinds.

GRACEFUL CLIMBERS.

Cardiospermum or Balloon Vine, mixed; Cobaea Scandens or Mexican Bell Flower; Calempellis scaber; Canary Creeper; Centrosema; Clitoria, mixed; Cypress Vine, mixed; Convolvulus or Morning Glory, mixed; Dolichos or Hyacinth Bean, mixed; Gourds in variety, as Dipper Gourd, Dish-cloth Gourd, Sugar-trough Gourd, Bitter-box Gourds of various colors and shapes, mixed; Balsam Apple, Hundred-weight Gourds of various colors, mixed; Snake Gourd, Wild Cucumber, Snake Cucumber, Fancy Gourds mixed, Nest-egg Gourd, Turk's Turban, Bryonopsis and Cyclanthera; Humulus variegata or Hop; Ipomoea, mixed; Perennial Pea, mixed; Lophospermum; Moon Vine; Improved Japan Morning Glory in splendid mixture; Giant Nasturtium, mixed; Tropaeolum Lobbianum, mxd; Scarlet Runner; Sweet Peas, best mixed, 1/4 lb 15 cts, 1 lb 50 cts; Thunbergia alata, mixed; and Viola, mixed. (See Park's Floral Guide for full descriptions and illustrations.)

BLOOMING SECOND SEASON.

Aquilegia, large-flowered, long-spurred, elegant hardy plants, very showy and beautiful, mixed.

Aconitum, Monk's Hood, finest.

Adlumia cirrhosa, lovely delicate fern-vine; 20 ft. very graceful.

Adonis Vernalis, yellow, grand.

Arabis alpina, white, in early spring; grows in masses; splendid.

Aubrietia, trailing, masses of rich bloom; fine wall or border plant.

Agrostemma, showy, red, mixed.

Alyssum saxatile, golden, fine.

Aster, perennial, large-flower, mxt.

Campanula medium, single, double, Cup and Saucer, separate or all mixed. My seeds of these glorious flowers are unsurpassed.

Carnation, choice hardy Garden, very double and fragrant; splendid colors mixed.

Delphinium, Perennial Larkspur, grows six feet high, bearing long spikes of rich bloom; hardy and beautiful; rich mixture.

Digitalis, Foxglove, 3 feet high; long spikes of drooping bells, beautiful; superb mixture.

Gypsophila paniculata, grand for cutting to mingle in bouquets.

Hollyhock, Chater's Finest Double, all colors, finest strain; flowers full-double, mixed.

Ipomopsis, Lupinus, Michauxia, Malva moschata, Matricaria, Genothera, separate.

Perennial Poppy, new named; glorious big hardy perennials, flowers rich colored, often nine inches across. Splendid hybrids mixed.

Perennial Pea, free-blooming, ever-blooming, hardy vines; grand for a trellis or mound; mixed.

Platycodon, Large flowered; big blue and white flowers, charming; fine for a garden bed, hardy, mxd.

Primrose, hardy, best sorts, mxd.

Perennial Cosmos, Pyrethrum, splendid; white, rose, red; mixed.

Pinks, Carnations and Picotees, double and single, all clove-scented, hardy, rich for borders. Mixed.

Perennial Phlox, showy garden plant; big panicles of rich colored flowers, mixed.

Rehmannia, Ranunculus, Sweet Rocket, Salvia azurea grandiflora, Salvia pratensis, separate.

Scabiosa Cavasica, handsome perennial in garden, and fine for cutting, mixed. A choice perennial.

Stokesia cuneata, Silene orientalis, Sidalcea, Stenactis, separate.

Sweet William, new large-flowered, single and double; all rich colors in splendid mixture.

Verbascum, Oriental Mullein, fine.

WINDOW PLANT SEEDS.

Abutilon, New Hybrids, Flowering Maple, elegant for garden or for window pots; colors white, rose, crimson, golden, mixed.

Antigonon leptopus, superb southern vine; lovely pink clusters.

Asparagus plumosus, Sprenger, Decurrens, Scandens, Tenuissimus, separate or mixed.

Browallia, Large-flowered Speciosus; blue; new and beautiful.

Boston Smilax, elegant pot-vine.

Begonia, Tuberous and Fibrous-rooted, finest colors and varieties.

Calceolaria, magnificent pot-plant for winter-blooming; splendid strain, finest colors; mixed.

Chrysanthemum, fine, large.

Cineraria, large-flowered, finest strain, richest new colors, mixed; unrivalled pot-plants for winter.

Cyclamen, new large-flowered, superb winter-blooming pot plant; all the fine new colors mixed.

Cyperus or Umbrella Plant, Eupatorium, Erythrina, Freesia, Fuchsia, separate.

Gloxinia, finest large-flowered hybrids; charming colors and variegations; best strain; mixed.

Geranium Zonale, a grand strain imported from France; rare and lovely shades; finest mixture.

Heliotrope, new, large-flowered, French; very fragrant, charming colors, mixed. A superb strain.

Lantana, ever-blooming, newest varieties, very beautiful; mixed.

Lobelia, splendid sorts for baskets or pots, finest mixture.

Mimosa Pudica, Sensitive Plant, lovely foliage, rosy, fluffy flowers.

Primula Chinese, Improved, large-flowered, all the new colors; the finest ever-blooming pot plant for winter-blooming; best mixture.

Primula, New French Giant, mx. New Star, mxd; New Fern-leaved, mixed; New Double, mixed.

Primula Obconica, newest large-flowered, plain and fringed, rich and varied colors, mixed.

Primula, Floribunda or Buttercup; Forbesi or Baby Primrose; Sieboldii, mixed; Kewensis, golden yellow; Japonica, mixed.

Salvia coccinea splendens, a beautiful Scarlet Salvia for winter.

Solanum, Jerusalem Cherry; Stevia Serrata; Swainsonia, mixed; Torenia Fourniera, mixed; Veronica, mixed, and Vinca Rosea, mixed.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a city girl 14 years old.
I like the city very much. I love flowers of all
kinds. I have one large Fern. I take music les-
sons and am in the fifth grade. Pearl Gilmore.

Buffalo, Kansas, Oct. 17, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am nine years old and in the
fourth grade. I live with my grandmother. I
enjoy reading the Magazine. I have a pet pig,
a pet bird, and some chickens. V. K. Cross.

Linn Co., Mo., Jan. 10, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little boy 11 years old.
We have thirteen horses, twelve cows, and a dog.
The dog's name is Jack. I have two sisters.

Richard L. C. Briscoe.

Bosque Co., Texas, Jan. 11, 1914.

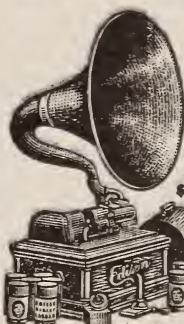
Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little boy 12 years old.
My father has taken your Magazine for a long
time. I am opposed to war with Mexico. It
would cost lots of money, but the real cost would
be human life and broken hearts of mothers, and
it would make thousands of women and children
go cold and hungry, and many would be father-
less and brotherless, John A. Moses.

Pittsylvania Co., Va., Jan. 19, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a teamster's daughter,
10 years old, and live in a village. This is a nice
place to live. We have good weather all the
time. In winter we have good coasting, and in
summer we play under a beautiful Maple tree.
There are lots of birds here. They build nests
in the orchard. My mamma has lots of flowers,
and has been taking your Magazine for three
years. I go to Sunday School to the Church of
God, which is built on our farm. I have several
pets, but the nicest pet is my baby brother.
I would exchange my nice home with city girls?
I guess not! Evelyn Waters.

Bedford Co., Pa., Jan. 15, 1914.

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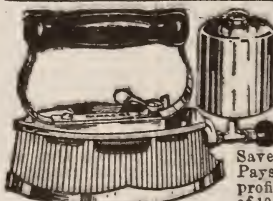
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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl 11 years old. All through the holidays I was at my grandmother's. My grandmother saves all Park's Floral Magazines, so she can learn how to make her flowers grow. For pets I have a cow named Pet, a dog named Dandy, and six cute little bantams.

Doloros Woody.

Effingham Co., Ill., Jan. 14, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have a sorrel pony and four spotted ones. One weighs four hundred and ten pounds. He is three years old. I ride him to school and help papa to drive the cattle. I am going to help him drive 40 head of cattle tomorrow.



I work this pony single in my little wagon. I can catch him any place in the pasture. He will not scare at anything. His name is Dick. I like him real well. The others

are named Cute, Sparkle and Trixie.

I have a blue rabbit and a squirrel. We have a cage and wheel for the squirrel. He likes nuts, corn and cheese. We have some pigs and Houdan chickens, also one Angora goat and one old-fashioned goat, and four sheep. I have ten dolls, that I like to play with. I live on a farm of five hundred acres, and am ten years old.

Cleato Hurford.

Putnam Co., Mo., Jan. 16, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—We have taken your Magazine for a long time and could hardly do without it. I enjoy the letters and the poetry very much. I am fourteen years old, and in the eighth grade. Postals exchanged.

Clara M. Balmer.

Ulster, Pa., Jan. 19, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 12 years old, and live on a farm of four hundred acres. We have cattle, horses and hogs. I milk two cows and feed two calves. I am a great lover of flowers. We had a large bed of Pansies, Roses, Pæonies and Bleeding Heart last year. We also had some pretty Snowballs and Bridal Wreath.

Lula Dorale.

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Under this head I have inserted the names and addresses of persons who propose card exchanges, but many have complained that these do not respond. A letter before me has a complaint of Mrs. Stephens, of Rhode Island, stating that she answered eight, sending 24 cards, and that only one responded. If others have met with the same treatment the postal exchange column will be excluded. It is manifestly unfair and dishonest to propose an exchange and not respond to those who answer it.—Editor.

Louise H. Adams, age 13, Five Islands, Me.
Gere Sharretts, Berwick, Pa., R. 3.
Martha Wise, York Haven, Pa., R. 1.
Florence K. Sievers, White Heath, Ill.
Nellie Wilson, Seaman, O., R. 1.
Helen Elder, Belle Center, O., R. 1.
Elsie Ericksen, age 11, Ludington, Mich.
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Annie A. Hawkins, age 13, Woodyard, W. Va.
Clarissa Sharretts, age 10, Berwick, Pa., R. 3.
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Ona M. Stopper, Pulaski, N. Y.
Bessie Young, Apontley, Tenn.
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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 11 years old. I have a little sister six months old, and she is a dear. We love her very much. Lillian Pike.
Mooleyville, Ky., Oct. 21, 1913.
Dear Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine for about a half year and think it is just fine. We could not do without it at the house. I have five turkeys and three white hens. I wish to exchange postal cards and letters with all, and will answer all received. Frank Newcomb.
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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Arkansas.—Mr. Park: I want to endorse every good thing said about Dahlias. Last year my plants began to bloom in May, and in spite of the hot, dry wind of an unusually hot summer, they bloomed throughout the season. Some were more sensitive to the heat than others, and bloomed more sparingly until the cooler weather of autumn. My Dahlias grew in full sunshine, and in common garden soil. I leave a slight depression around each plant in which to supply water, and I water daily while the weather is dry.

Winter came suddenly on November 12, and I went out in the dark, cut the stems from my Dahlias, threw soil over them, putting a painful of stable litter over each one, and covered with a box to keep the wind from blowing the litter away. The winter was very severe indeed. The soil was said to be frozen two feet deep, a thing almost unheard of in this climate.

The sun hardly shone at all in March, and my Dahlias stood in a perfect bog for a month, yet they came through in good shape and were a great deal more thrifty than the flowers I bought this spring. I shall never again think of the heavy work of lifting and storing the tubers when I want to invest in named varieties, and can see myself becoming a Dahlia crank.

Mrs. F. L. Clark.

Hacket, Ark.

From New York.—Mr. Park: I love birds and always associate them with flowers. They sing for us and make the world happier and better, and the flowers bloom everywhere, making the world for us more beautiful and sweet. This land would be a dreary place indeed, if it were not for the birds and flowers. It seems sad to know that our birds are growing scarcer every year. I was reading a short time ago about how many thousands of dollars the farmers lose each year by insects eating the cereal crop, caused by the scarcity of birds. I would like to correspond with persons who are interested in birds and flowers.

Canistota, N. Y.

Myra Dean.

BIRD ENEMIES.

Mr. Park:—I notice you are a friend of the song-birds, the farmers' friends. One of the causes of their disappearance is the squirrel, a fact not generally known. Squirrels can reach birds' nests in any of the trees, and are searching for them as well as for nuts. They eat the young birds and older ones also, if by any chance they can catch them. Another enemy is the Crow. Crows search for nests, eating either eggs or young birds. And at night Owls destroy any that are frightened into flying from their resting places by the Owls hooting or flying about.

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Valentine aids happy lovers,
Cupid lets his arrows fly.
Then we celebrate with pleasure
Birthdays of our famous men,
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found only in Chili, embracing half a dozen species, the botanical name being Schizanthus, and the common names Butterfly Flower and Fringe Flower, the common names referring to the peculiar form and variegation and fringed character of the flowers. The species known as S. Grahamii bears the larger flowers, and all of the species grow two feet high, branching in tree form, clothed with handsome, pinnate foliage, and bearing myriads of the beautiful little butterfly-like flowers throughout the season. The

plants do well either in the garden or in pots. When intended for garden culture the seeds should be sown early in spring, and the plants transplanted; and if desired for pot culture for winter blooming, they should be sown in midsummer, and the plants grown in pots, shifting into larger pots as they develop, or else setting half a dozen plants in five- or six-inch pots, allowing them to grow together.

Until recently only the species and a few varieties were cultivated; but lately hybridizers, noticing the beauty and the easy culture of the various species, turned their attention to hybridizing them, with a view to improving their beauty and usefulness, and their efforts have been abundantly successful. The hybrids of the Grandiflora section are among the

easiest grown of annuals for house or garden, and show the effectual work of the hybridizer's hand. The flowers of these hybrids are large, of various colors, and continuously produced in great abundance. The plants are strong and bushy, and very attractive.

Still more showy and beautiful hybrids are those known as Schizanthus Wisetonensis. The latest and best hybrids, however, are Wisetonensis Excelsior, the plants being stronger, the flowers larger, and



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Shasta Daisy.—The Shasta Daisy is a hybrid or variety of the well-known Oxeyed Daisy, but is more upright in growth and larger in flower. Seeds started early in the spring will produce blooming plants by autumn.

Japanese Maple.—The dwarf, variegated Japanese Maples are raised mostly by grafting, and not by seeds. Seeds of these Maples may be obtained, but they are generally dry and will not germinate readily. They should be sown as soon as ripe, as they lose their vitality by drying out.

To Destroy Root Aphis.—To destroy root aphis use a bucketful of lime, say a peck, for a bed 10x20 feet, applying in autumn. It could be water-slacked until in the form of powder, then scattered over the soil and raked into the surface. You will find useful, also, tobacco stems placed over the earth; or, if you can secure tobacco dust and stir it into the soil with the lime, it will be of benefit. One-half bushel of tobacco dust will be sufficient for the bed, and both the lime and tobacco will act as a fertilizer, bringing the land into good condition for the next year's crop.

Flowers Changing Color.—When Gladiolus or other plants bearing flowers of different colors are set in the same bed, there will be no change of color because of the proximity of the plants. A flower of one color may pollinize a flower of a different color, and the seeds will produce plants bearing flowers of different colors; but the influence does not extend to the root or stalk or the parent plant, but affects only the progeny. A collection of Gladiolus bulbs bearing red and light colored flowers may, in time, show only shades of red, because of the hardness of the bulbs of that color and their prolific increase, while the bulbs bearing light colored flowers may decay and become less numerous, because of their tender character and their slowness of increase. The same is true of some other races of bulbs. The changing character of a mixed collection is not due to mixing of the colors.

ABOUT SPECIES OF ARUM.

THERE are a number of species of Arum used as decorative plants, and they would be more popular were it not for the fact that the flowers generally have a foetid odor. This odor passes away shortly after the flower opens, and the plant can then be used for room decoration. Arum Italicum is often called Red Calla, also Arum cornutum and some other kinds are so named or misnamed. The flower has a spathe, and is shaped somewhat like the Calla Lily, which is a species of Richardia and belongs to the same family. Arums are mostly grown outdoors in summer, where they are showy, and their unpleasant odor is not so noticeable. They can, however, be grown in the house after they have had a season of rest. Arum cornutum becomes a very large tuber, and when placed upon the window-sill in midwinter the bloom stalk will soon appear, and a reddish-brown, spotted flower will develop and spread its odor throughout the room. It is grown more as a curiosity than for beauty. Arum Sanctum is the so-called Black Calla. The tuber will not bloom until it becomes very large, and for this reason it is not generally satisfactory, as many persons do not have patience to grow the plant until the tuber is of blooming size. The species of Arum will do well bedded out in a moist, shady situation during summer, and the tubers come into bloom shortly after they are planted.

Smilax.—The Boston Smilax has fasciated, tuberous roots, not unlike those of Asparagus Sprengeri. It requires a season of rest every year. When the foliage begins to fade, withhold water for a period, giving only enough to keep the plant from drying up. Let it so remain, keeping it in a cool, shady place for several weeks, then gradually apply water. If the pot is too small for it, shift it into a larger one at this time; growth will soon begin, and the plant will become handsomer than ever. Boston Smilax is a beautiful vine for a trellis in the window. The flowers are deliciously fragrant, and are followed by scarlet berries, which are very ornamental. The new Myrtle-leaved Smilax is more delicate in appearance than the older kind, and by some it is preferred on account of its dense and delicate foliage. Both sorts are readily grown from seeds.

Bleeding Heart.—This is known as Dicentra spectabilis. It is a hardy garden plant, bearing graceful racemes of heart-shaped, pink flowers. It likes a rather sandy, well-drained soil and sunny situation. In a strong, tenacious soil the roots are liable to decay. The plants are mostly propagated by division of the roots, but may be propagated from seeds when such can be obtained. It is one of the beautiful, hardy plants that deserves general cultivation.

CALADIUMS IN THE HOUSE.

CALADIUM ESCULENTUM and also Fancy Caladiums should be grown during the summer months, and kept in a dry condition during winter. Caladium esculentum will grow in a dense shade in summer and produce magnificent big leaves, if the soil is rich, well-drained, and freely supplied with water. With good drainage you are not likely to give too much water when growing. If grown in a large pot or tub, the plant may be transferred to the house in autumn, where it will retain its beauty for a period, but it should not be expected to continue throughout the winter.



It is a summer-growing plant and should be treated as such. The Fancy Caladiums are much more tender, and of dwarfer growth. The tubers should be obtained early in the spring, placed in pots of earth, and kept moderately moist until warm weather comes, when they may be shifted into larger pots or transferred to a shady place in the garden. These varieties like a moist, warm, shady place, sandy soil with good drainage, and to be freely watered while growing. They are exceedingly beautiful in foliage; the leaves are spotted and marked in rich colors and striking variegations. The tubers should be dried off in autumn and kept in a dark, frost-proof place until planting time in spring.

Amaryllis from Seeds.—Plants of Amaryllis are readily grown from seeds, when the seeds are obtained shortly after they ripen and carefully sown in sandy, porous soil. The seedlings must be given special attention. Even with the best of care, they will not bloom until from four to six years old. It is generally better to purchase blooming-sized bulbs, which can now be obtained at a reasonable price. The new, large-flowered varieties are so much superior to the old-fashioned Amaryllis Johnsonii, that it is well to displace the old sort with the new. Indeed, those who know the merits of the two, do not regard the Johnsonii as worthy of culture in comparison.

Calla Elliotana.—This Calla will bloom either in summer or winter, according to the time it is rested. If you wish it to bloom in summer it should be rested in winter. To rest the plant, withhold water until the tops die off, but do not allow it to become so dry as to injure the fleshy roots. After resting for eight to twelve weeks, begin watering, and the flowers should shortly appear. In summer the resting plant can be laid on its side in a shady, moist place. In winter it can be rested in the cellar, after the soil has dried out. The same treatment is also recommended for White Calla.

GUAVA.

THIS IS the common name of various species of Psidium which are fruit-bearing shrubs with evergreen foliage and clusters of exquisitely flavored fruits. At the South they are largely grown for their fruits, which are used for desert, for making jelly, and for canning. Their flavor may be described as between a strawberry and a peach. The common Guava will grow from eight to twelve feet high, branching and bearing abundantly. Seedlings of this variety begin to bear the second or third year. Catleyana Guava has leathery, shining foliage, is of dwarfer growth, and is decidedly the best variety for the plant window. It bears when small, and produces an abundance of delicious fruit. The flowers are white, in clusters, but are not as attractive as the fruit. The plant likes a sandy soil, and plenty of water while growing. They can be wintered in any frost-proof room, and should be sparingly watered at that time.



Starting Lemon Verbena.—Plants of Lemom Verbena are easily started from heel cuttings taken during summer. The plant likes a sandy soil, and in partially shaded places will grow freely during summer. If heel cuttings are started in the soil about the plants, or planted in moist sand in a shady place, they will readily start during the warm summer weather. After roots form, they can be potted and treated as the older plants. As a rule the seeds do not germinate well, and propagation in that way is not recommended.

Florists' Carnation.—The so-called Florists' Carnation will live out at the North in a sheltered place with partial protection, which may consist of a board frame around the bed, with some nude brush thrown over. Most plants suffer more in winter from the cold winds than from frost, and it is also well to protect from the hot sun's rays, so as to avoid sudden changes of temperature about the plants.

Passiflora Edulis.—This Passiflora not only has beautiful, showy, blue flowers, but they are succeeded by handsome egg-shaped fruits of a fine purple color, admirable upon the vine, and prized by some as an esculent. It is easily started from seeds, and is a vigorous trellis vine. It is hardy at the South, but must be grown as a window plant at the North.

Bird of Paradise.—This is the common name of Poinciana Gillesii. The seeds are large, flat, and should be set edgewise in planting. The plants start readily from seeds, and the seedlings will bloom in from two to four years after they are started.

HOME SURROUNDINGS.

THE BEAUTY of the home surroundings is one of the attractions enjoyed by the tourist, and indicates the prosperous and refined condition of the people of a community. But however much a place may be enjoyed by the traveler, the real and daily enjoyment comes to the one whose dwelling place it is, and who knows and tends each plant and vine and shrub, and is directly interested in its growth and bloom and beauty. It is the verdure and flowers that surround a country home that make it cozy and attractive, and that insure happiness and content-

bring to the mind the scene of a happy family with its joy and sympathy and kindness, and the means of home enjoyment that are found where intelligence and refinement hold sway.

Among the photographs of attractive homes kindly sent to the Editor by those who are especially interested, the reader will be pleased with the reproduction given on this page. It is the home of Mrs. W. E. Blodgett, of Fitzwilliam Depot, N. H., and with the photograph was enclosed the following letter:

Mr. Editor: I am sending you herewith a photograph of our home. The vines in front of the piazza are Morning Glories, and they screen the piazza completely; the foliage is clean and dense, and the blossoms add very much to its attractiveness. The



A HOME WITH BEAUTIFUL SURROUNDINGS.

ment to the inmates; and those who take no interest in the home surroundings are neglecting the most important of home duties and responsibilities.

The Floral Magazine embraces among its hundreds of thousands of subscribers the most earnest and enthusiastic of flower-lovers, and visits the most beautiful homes of the land. The buildings may not be palatial or costly, but the surroundings, made bright and beautiful by the skillful hand of the amateur gardener, appeal to the eye and sense, and are always an index to the well-kept and tastefully decorated rooms within. Such homes are a pleasure to those who pass, for they

plants in front of the vines are Sweet Clover. The vine over the ell part of the house is Matrimony Vine; the vine between the door and bow window is Clematis paniculata; and the vine at the right of the window is Japanese Hop. The bed of flowers in the yard, nearest to the house, is composed of house plants which are kept inside during the winter months, and bedded out in summer. The garden enclosed by the bank wall is filled with hardy shrubs and Rose bushes and perennials, and here we have flowers from early spring till after frost comes.

Laurel Lake is a beautiful sheet of water a mile long and a half mile wide. It is surrounded by Laurel bushes that are a grand sight when in bloom. This is a summer resort, and all along the shore there are cottages that are occupied during summer. Flowers and photo work are sources of much pleasure to me, and the postal views I am enclosing you will appreciate.

Mrs. W. E. Blodgett.
Fitzwilliam Depot, N. H., Nov. 7, 1913.

HYDRANGEA HORTENSIS.

THIS *Hydrangea* is not hardy at the North, and is generally grown in tubs, which are wintered in the cellar and given a partially shaded situation upon the lawn in summer. They like a rich, well-drained, rather tenacious soil and plenty of root room, in order to become handsome specimens. To promote branching, the plants are cut back when they are brought out in the spring, and the new branches will thus be of stronger growth, producing large heads of bloom. If some fresh horse manure is worked in about the roots when they are placed upon the lawn, it will promote a healthy and vigorous development of the leaves as well as large handsome heads of bloom. In preparing the compost for these *Hydrangeas*, if a blue color is wanted, incorporate with the earth a rather liberal quantity of bituminous coal, broken in pieces about the size of a filbert or hickory nut. This material will promote the development of blue flowers under ordinary conditions, but the elements of the soil have much to do with its action. After the flowers fade, it is well to cut them away, taking also a portion of the branch. This will strengthen the plant, make it more dense, and prepare it for a richer display another season.

Laurel for Hedges.—The beautiful native, evergreen *Laurel* (*Kalmia latifolia*) makes an elegant hedge, when the soil is suitable for it, and the plants are large enough to make a good showing. It is slow of growth, however, difficult to transplant, and does not thrive in a limestone soil. It cannot be recommended for ordinary use. It can be propagated from seeds, which should be sown in the fall after they ripen. The plants do best in a shady situation with a northern exposure.

Resetting Pæonies.—To reset *Pæonies* so as to have them bloom in spring, the clumps should be lifted without disturbing the roots and carefully set, the soil being well heeled in about them. If the clump is large, it can be divided, but it should not be cut up into small parts. After resetting, mulch the ground well with stable litter. *Pæonies* do better if allowed to stand undisturbed for a number of years. To reset them always interferes with their growth and blooming.

Brown Spots on Begonias.—The foliage of *Begonia* plants is sometimes attacked by a fungus which appears as brown spots, gradually spreading until the leaves die. The disease mostly appears when the soil is tenacious and poorly drained, so that it becomes charged with acid. To overcome it, repot the plant in fresh, sandy, porous, well-drained soil, at the same time removing all the diseased leaves and giving the plant a well-lighted, rather sunny window until it regains its leaves.

POINSETTIA.

POINSETTIA *pulcherrima* is a beautiful blooming shrub in Southern Florida, and a valuable holiday pot plant at the North. It can be propagated either from seeds or cuttings. Seedlings started in the spring will begin to bloom in autumn, and will retain their beauty throughout the winter. The showy part consists of the large, scarlet, leaf-like bracts that surround the inconspicuous clusters of bloom. The plants like a sandy soil with good drainage and a warm situation where they will be protected from wind. In the South, where they are used to decorate the grounds, the plants are cut off near to the surface in springtime, and are encouraged to throw up a new growth during summer. This new growth will often be four or five feet high, with leaves from the ground to the summit, each branch developing clusters of flowers at the top, surrounded by scarlet bracts, which remain on until spring. At the North, plants grown in pots should be given a rest immediately after they are through blooming; then the branches can be cut back and the cuttings inserted in sand to develop roots and form young plants, while the old plants can be repotted, watered, and given attention, when new shoots will soon develop that will bloom during the winter. The plants are very sensitive to cold, and must not be allowed to dry out when active. Either of these conditions will cause the leaves to drop, thus marring the beauty of the plant. An occasional watering with weak manure water will be found beneficial when the plant is growing and developing its buds and bracts.

"Worms" and Flies.—The tiny white "worms" that infest soil may be eradicated by watering with lime water as hot as the hand will bear. Allow the soil to become almost dry, then water until it flows freely through the drainage hole at the bottom of the pot. The "worms" are the larvæ of the small black fly, and if you get rid of the larvæ the flies will soon disappear. Clogged drainage, and watering so freely that the soil becomes soggy, causes the soil to become sour, forming a breeding place for the flies. After the "worms" disappear, water moderately, and see that the drainage is good, and the pest will not again appear. Where the soil is tenacious and packed, it is well to take the plants out, wash the roots, and repot in fresh, porous, fibrous, sandy loam with good drainage, pressing the soil well about the roots.

Climbing Roses.—The beautiful Climbing *Roses*, *Hiawatha* and *Lady Gay*, are perfectly hardy. When planted out in the spring or summer, they should not be disturbed in the fall. If the plants have been wintered in pots, they can be bedded out as soon as danger from severe frost is past. They are outdoor *Roses*, and will endure the most severe winters when well established.

CHILDREN'S LETTER



Y DEAR CHILDREN:—There is a peculiar charm about the soft, white, fleecy, falling snow. We can hardly tell why we enjoy it, but every country boy and girl who loves nature, and many who think chiefly of winter sports, rejoice and feel happy when the snow-clouds darken the winter

sky, the air becomes still and cold, and the big fleecy flakes begin to fall thick and fast. Most of the older folks have pleasant recollections of winter days at the old homestead during early life. Those happy days have been lived over in memory every time they were brought to mind by some incident or thought in life. The snowy days of winter at the North, dear children, are therefore a store of happy experience from which you can draw pleasure by fond memory as long as life shall last.

To me the gently falling snow, white and loose and feathery, was always beautiful.



SNOWBIRDS.

As a boy I thought of the warm, fleecy covering it was to my little garden, where the pretty brown bulbs were sleeping in the cold

earth till the sunshine and showers of early spring called them to awake. I thought of the beauty of the winter landscape, when all the fields were white and clean, the fence-rails piled with fleecy crystals, and the Oaks and Pines and Cedars near my mountain home bending with their diamond load. It was then that I learned to specially love the solitudes of the forest in winter. In those days we always wore high-topped boots, and were well prepared for a tramp through the soft, deep snow of woodland and mountain. I mostly enjoyed several such trips every winter, and always went alone, for there is a peculiar, touching sentiment inspired by Nature's winter solitude that is more charming and sweet when one is alone with Nature and Nature's God.

What a contrast I found in woodland and glen between summer and winter. I knew the winding paths and brooks and rocks; I knew the blooming plants and shrubs and trees of summer, and the oft-repeated visits familiarized them to me as friends, real friends. I thought of their beauty in summer and noted the havoc that King Frost had made. But I knew the buds for spring development were already formed, and would



SANBUCUS BUD.

quickly respond at the proper time to Nature's voice. I listened to the call of the Titmouse as it hopped upon the coarse bark of some forest tree; I looked and listened for the nimble Squirrels which I had often seen at play near the entrance to their little forest home in a decayed tree-top; I heard, the "Caw, Caw!" of a group of black sentinels sounding a note of warning to the Crow Brotherhood that their sacred precincts were



TITMOUSE.

being invaded; I saw the entrance to the cave-home of the little mountain Fox, and the tracks of a poor little Deer that had escaped the cruel bullet of the hunter; and often across in the deep ravine I could hear the big lonely Hoot-owl from his home in the hollow tree calling in measured notes to his mate, "Come to me, Come to me, Come, Come, Come." But with these few exceptions in bird and animal life all was a deep, touching solitude. Some big Laurel bushes that I had seen a mass of glorious bloom in June were now bending with the weight of snow; some clumps of Columbine that once



CROW.

nodded their heads of scarlet and gold at me from the rocky precipice were brown and bare, and rustled a hymn of sadness to me as I passed. I meandered by the bank where, beneath the snowy covering, the Sweet Trailing Arbutus was already showing its bud clusters. I crossed

the gurgling brook of the mountain ravine where the Orchids grew, and saw the Alders swing their tail-like buds, defying winter's cold until the bright days of March should shake them out into fluffy pendants of brown and gold. The Mountain Tea, all green and scarlet, beneath the snow, was just as attractive as ever when found in its hiding place; and in the ravine the water-falls resounded among the trees and vines and shrubs with a continuous, soothing song.

Dear children, I have referred to but a few of the things of interest and beauty to be seen and heard upon a visit to Nature's solitudes during the snows of winter. But I have indicated enough to give you some idea of the pleasure of such a trip. I may add that the pleasure of coasting during childhood is also among the happy and cherished reminiscences of by-gone days, and I hope that you, my children, may have such winter experiences as I had, that you, too, may enjoy them in memory in mature life.

Sincerely your friend,

La Park, Pa., Jan. 25, 1914. Geo. W. Park.



ALDER BLOOM.

FREESIAS FROM SEEDS.

FREESIAS CAN be grown successfully from seeds, and will become blooming plants by autumn if the seedlings are started in five-inch pots during the spring, and kept in a growing condition until autumn, when they may be given a place in a sunny plant window near to the glass. The plants should be thinned out until eight plants occupy a five-inch pot. These will come into



bloom about the holidays, under favorable conditions. The plants may also be grown from bulbs obtained in August or September, and potted, placing eight in a five-inch pot, using a light, porous soil, such as sand, leaf-mould, and well-decayed manure, thoroughly mixed. Place the bulbs in a dark, cool place for a month until rooted, then bring them to the light. In the culture of Freesias it is important to have a sandy, porous, well-drained soil. Place the plants near to the glass, where they will have plenty of light, avoid draughts of wind, and keep the atmosphere rather moist and cool. In a hot, dry atmosphere and partial shade, the bulbs will produce nothing but leaves.

Cape Jasmine.—This is an evergreen plant known as *Gardenia florida*. Its beauty consists in the leaves as well as the flowers, and it is important that the leaves should be in good condition. Occasionally there is an insect that troubles it, making the foliage unsightly. As soon as the enemy appears, spray or sprinkle with arsenate of lead, made by diluting one ounce of the poison with two gallons of water, or in that proportion. A subscriber in Georgia says that she puts poultry manure around her Cape Jasmine. This is hazardous to the health of the plant, as poultry manure is too strong to apply without being composted for a while with other material. When well composted and decayed, and the compost thoroughly mixed, it is of benefit to any house plant, applied in a limited quantity.

Non-blooming Geraniums.—To have Geraniums bloom freely it is well to use a sandy, fibrous loam, enriched with bone-dust, and given good drainage. Such a soil will not become sour by stagnant water, and the drainage will not become clogged when the plants are pot-bound. A sunny window is necessary to the production of Geranium flowers during winter, as also a porous soil and rather warm, even temperature. If the soil is tenacious, wet and poorly drained, and given a place in a shady window exposed to sudden extremes and changes of temperature, success in blooming Geraniums cannot be expected.

CALLA LILY.

THE CALLA LILY can be successfully grown either as a pot plant or bedding plant. As a pot plant it will bloom in the winter if the tuber is mature, by giving a period of rest in summer. When bedded out in summer, the bulbs should be lifted and dried off late in the season, and kept in a cool, dry, frost-proof cellar. The plants thrive in a rather sandy, well-drained soil, and when growing should be watered freely. The tuber should be placed an inch or more below the surface, as the roots mostly come out about the crown. In bedding the tubers cover them three inches, so that they will not suffer from drought. In the dry season liquid manure may be applied once a week, when the plants are active, but it should not be strong. A strong liquid fertilizer is liable to injure the plants. The Calla should be repotted in fresh soil every two or three years in order to keep it healthy. It will not thrive in a sour, poorly-drained soil.

Non-blooming Acacia.—Some of the species of Acacia are more free-blooming than others, but all are sun- and heat-loving plants, and will do no good in a cool temperature devoid of direct sunlight. If bushy plants are wanted it is well to pinch out the central shoot when the plant is small, and thus encourage branching. Use a sandy, fibrous loam with good drainage, and set the plant in a sunny window in winter, and upon a porch in a rather sunny place in summer. Do not allow the sun to shine against the sides of the pot. Water regularly and avoid draughts of cold air or a temperature that would chill the plant. Propagation may be easily effected by seeds, but the seeds are rather tardy in germination, and should not be expected to germinate promptly. If soaked in hot water for twenty-four hours before sowing, it will promote earlier germination of the seeds.

Peach Seedling.—A city subscriber states that a peach tree sprang up in his yard, and he has been told that it will never bloom or bear fruit. He has been misinformed, as a peach seedling will begin to bloom in from two to four years, and will often produce delicious fruit. A peach tree is worth growing, not only for its flowers, which come in early spring, but for the ripening fruit in autumn, which are, to some, more attractive than the flowers.

Northeast Windows.—As a rule Primulas and Begonias will thrive in well lighted northern or eastern windows. Kenilworth Ivy, *Tradescantia zebrina* and Parlor Ivy will also do well there, as well as Calla Lily and some of the hardy bulbs, especially Hyacinths and Narcissus. The bulbous flowers may be given a sunny window when the buds are ready to open, until they develop, when the plants can be replaced.

EDITORIAL LETTER.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:—It is the dead of winter. The birds have long since flown to their Southern home, and the last bud in the garden has withered and died in the icy embrace of King Frost. Only a few things are found to brighten the borders

and enrich the home surroundings. Among them are the Evergreens—the Laurel, Rhododendron, Japan Euonymous and the many members of the Pine family. The erect, bright green, twiggy branches of the Scotch Broom, the stately sword-like leaf-clumps of the Yucca, the hardy trailing Vinca, and in the garden beds the Sweet William, with its carpet of green and bronze, and the English Thyme, slender and bronzy and fragrant, remain true to color, and appear as though they would cheat the Arctic King out of his despotic reign. But already the days are growing longer, the sun stronger, and we can see the buds upon the Maple and Poplar and Elm swelling; and but a few weeks will elapse until gentle Spring will assert her authority, and the earth will don a new dress. Then we shall be happy in the glorious resurrection which will appear.

But if you will go with me to the greenhouse I will show you a bit of summer beauty that will gladden your heart.

Near the door, as you enter you will notice some handsome specimens of *Acalypha Sanderi* in bloom, the long, rosy, fluffy tails hang-

ing gracefully from the leaf axils. Back of these are plants of *Hibiscus Sinensis*, the huge scarlet flowers appearing like stars against the massive, glossy foliage.

And now, at the farther end of the walk I want you to see the big vine of *Thunbergia grandiflora*. Are not its rich green leaves and its big clusters of wavy, lavender flowers beautiful? I have spoken of this vine in previous letters, but it is such a healthy, easily grown, vigorous plant, and its flowers are so attractive, and so freely and continuously produced, that I cannot call you to the greenhouse either in winter or summer without praising and recommending it. It does seem strange that such a glorious vine should be so little known.

At the right of the entrance you will notice a long shelf filled with pots of elegant rosette-like foliage from which numerous stems rise

bearing whorl after whorl of exquisite pink and lilac flowers, a mass of lovely and deliciously scented bloom. What is it? Just blooming plants of the new *Primula Malacoides*, which was recently introduced from the hills of China. It is as easily grown as a Snapdragon, and seedlings will come into bloom in five months after the seeds are sown. It is one of the good things that should be in every window garden. It is more easily grown than old Chinese Primrose, and gives quite as much satisfaction.

The bed of pink bloom near the centre of the house is of *Begonia Erfordii*. The plants were grown from seeds, last summer, and have

been cut back several times, so that they are now of globular form, and every branch is tipped with a graceful, drooping cluster of waxy pink flowers. The dense, incurved foliage, glossy and bright, makes an admirable background for the display of flowers.

Along the rear wall you will see huge panicles of golden stars, bending over by their weight of crowded buds and flowers. How showy and massive the plant appears!



BLOOMING PLANT OF PRIMULA MALACOIDES.

That is sometimes called Sycamore Geranium, though it has no resemblance to a Geranium. It is *Senecio petasites*. The plant grows six or eight feet high, clothed with big Sycamore-like, fuzzy, silvery-green leaves, and never fails to bloom during mid-winter. It is a desirable window plant, and can always be depended upon for winter flowers.

The block of plants with prettily marked foliage, green and bronze and silver, and pretty tubular rosy flowers is *Ruellia Makoyana*. It is a rare, easily-grown winter-bloomer that is always admired. The group of plants just beyond, with narrow, bronze-green foliage and masses of tubular lilac flowers is *Strobilanthes anisophyllus*, often called gold fussia. It is always in bloom in winter. Other plants in bloom are *Euphorbia splendens*, *Abutilon* in variety, *Eupatorium riparium*, *Rivina humilis*, etc., but enough have been mentioned to give you an idea of what plants to grow to give brightness and beauty to the plant window and room during the dull, gloomy days of winter.

La Park, Pa., Jan. 27, 1914. Geo. W. Park.

Cotton at the North.—Cotton cannot be grown with profit at the North, but cotton plants can be started from seeds early in the spring, and set out in a sunny situation, where they will bloom and perfect their cotton balls during autumn. The plants are bushy and tree-like, attaining a height of from two to three feet; the flowers are rather showy and not unlike those of *Malva grandiflora*, and are succeeded in autumn by the perfected cotton balls. It is not uncommon to see flowers, green pods and the bursting cotton balls all on one plant at the same time. The plants should be set from one to two feet apart and kept well cultivated. They like plenty of heat and sunshine, and seem to be adapted to sandy, porous soil. The scientific name is *Gossypium herbaceum*. Seeds can be bought of dealers at five cents per packet.

Poppies and Petunias.—The best time to sow Poppy seeds at the North is in early spring. The plants will endure the winter and begin blooming early the following season. Petunias for bedding should be started from seeds. Sow in the greenhouse or hotbed or window boxes in March, and transplant to their blooming quarters when large enough. The seedlings will begin to bloom early in summer, and continue to bloom until after frost.

Crinum from Seeds.—Mrs. Sabine, of McKean Co., Pa., has two ripened seed-pods of *Crinum*, and wants to know if she can get young plants from the seeds. If the seeds are plump and well ripened, they should germinate without difficulty before they become old and dry. Use leaf mould and sand well drained, and keep moderately moist, but not wet, until the plants appear.

AFTER BLOOMING.

AFTER Tulips and Hyacinths have bloomed in the spring, remove the faded flowers with the stems, but be careful not to injure the foliage. The bulbs can be lifted with the foliage attached, and heeled in in another place, if desired, but the foliage cannot be cut off without injury to the bulbs.



HYACINTHS.

It is better to allow the bulbs to remain where they bloomed until the foliage dies before lifting them. If the soil is in good condition plants of *Petunia* or *Ageratum* can be planted between the rows, though, if the season should prove wet, some of the bulbs might decay during

the summer, as the sun and air would not have free access to the soil under the blooming plants. The bulbs could be safely lifted when the foliage begins to turn yellow, then laid in a dry, sunny place and allowed to dry off. They should then be placed in thick paper bags and hung up in a cool, dark cellar, where they will keep in good condition until planting time in autumn.

Gold of Ophir Rose.—A subscriber from Washington complains that her Gold of Ophir Rose freezes back, and that the canes are too large to bend over so as to protect near the ground. If she would cut a portion of the vine away and secure a thick covering of rye straw around the main stem, wrapping it at the top so as to turn water and keep the stem dry, it will winter safely. The covering should not be removed until danger from severe frost is past in the spring. If the soil were removed from near the side of the plant, the roots somewhat exposed, the stem can be laid over and protected with coal ashes, then some straw or corn fodder thrown over the ashes, or even some boards to turn the water. This protection would be equally as good or even better. It is in this way that Fig trees are wintered in Holland. An excavation is made about the roots, making it possible to bend the trees to the ground, where they are covered with earth, and thus protected.

Clematis Paniculata.—*Clematis paniculata* is a hardy vine, and ordinarily requires no protection, though some evergreens thrown over the young plants in the fall will do no harm. Early in spring the tops of the young plants can be cut back if desired, so as to encourage the growth of strong sprouts from the base. The older plants can be cut back to the main stem in spring, the unsightly branches of the previous season being removed. The beauty of the new growth will thus be promoted.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Mealy Bug.—Mr. Park: Kindly tell me what to do to rid my plants of a pest that is destroying them. I enclose an infested leaf.—Mrs. L. M. Moll, Union Co., N. J., 1913.

Ans.—The leaves submitted are troubled with mealy bug. Remove the cottony nests and spray with Quassia chips tea as hot as the hand will bear. Several sprayings at intervals of three or four days will eradicate the pest.

Chrysanthemum Pest.—Mr. Park: How can I get rid of a black insect that troubles my Chrysanthemums? They collect along the stem of the new growth. I tried whale oil soap emulsion, also sulpho-tobacco soap, but without effect.—Mrs. J. A. Parson, Harris Co., Tex., 1913.

Ans.—Dust the insects with baking soda or pyrethrum powder. To have the material adhere, it is well to sprinkle with water before applying.

Spotted Calla.—Mr. Park: Last spring I obtained a spotted Calla that was beautiful until July; then it began to die, and now the leaves are gone, but the bulb is sound. Should I let it stay in the pot or take it out?—Mrs. Ida Delk, Isle of Wight Co., Va., Oct. 13, 1913.

Ans.—The spotted Calla is a summer growing and blooming plant, and should be rested during the winter. It can be allowed to remain in the pot, or can be removed and kept like a Gladiolus. When the tuber is potted or bedded out in spring, the foliage will retain its beauty throughout the summer season.

Impatiens Sultani.—Mr. Park: I had an Impatiens Sultani plant that was doing well, but all at once the leaves turned brown, and the plant died. I kept the plant well watered and in a south window. What was the cause?—Gertrude Amy, Yuma Co., Colo., Nov. 24, 1913.

Ans.—Impatiens Sultani likes an open, porous soil, and a rather sunny situation. It is possible that the soil in which the plant was growing was tenacious and poorly drained, and that too much water was applied. A sour, soggy soil will destroy the roots, and this is probably what occurred. It is well to water freely, but it is important to see that the soil is porous and well-drained, otherwise the stagnant moisture about the roots will destroy them and the plant will die.

For Clay Soil.—Mr. Park: Please advise me what flowers and bulbs will do best in clay soil.—Mrs. Emil Hanke, Bascom, Mont., Nov. 10, 1913.

Ans.—For clay soil such plants as Iris, Hemerocallis, Dictamnus, Yucca, Crambe and Pæony will generally do well, also perennial Larkspur, Columbine, Hollyhock, Verbascum, Petunia, Zinnia, and a large variety of annuals. Indeed nearly all plants in general cultivation can be successfully grown in clay soil. It is important, however, to have good drainage, and in some instances to keep the soil loose and well cultivated. The character of such soil can be changed by the addition of sand and well-rotted sods, working the material well into the surface. An application of fresh slacked lime, stirred into the surface, will also be found very beneficial, as it will neutralize any acid that may be in the soil, and also change the character of the alkali, where there is a surplus of that element.

Name of Vine.—Mr. Park: I enclose herewith a flower, also a seed-pod of a vine I have in my room. The seed-pod resembles the wild Gourd, and turns red when it ripens. What is its name?—M. A. Kelsoe, Jackson Co., Or., Nov. 19, 1913.

Ans.—The spray of leaves and flowers with the seed indicate that the vine is Momordica Balsamina, commonly known as Balsam Apple. It is an annual, the vine growing six or eight feet high, and is beautiful in foliage as well as in fruit. It is readily propagated from seeds, and is of easy culture.

Earth Worms.—Mr. Park: I potted my Geraniums and left the potted plants in the yard for three weeks. When I picked them up to bring into the house, I found clusters of small worms just inside the holes, at the bottom of the pots. They resembled the common earth worm. The plants seem in perfect condition. How shall I destroy the worms?—Mrs. E. L. Frost, Nolan Co., Tex.

Ans.—Apply hot lime-water to the soil until it runs freely from the drainage hole at the bottom of the pot. This will not only destroy the worms, but will improve the condition of the soil, and promote the healthy growth of the plants.

Non-blooming Plants.—Mr. Park: I have several Rambler Roses, also some Dahlias and Tuberoses, all of which make a healthy growth in summer, but do not bloom. How shall I treat them?—Mrs. Cena Showalter, Jackson Co., W. Va., Nov. 29, 1913.

Ans.—Dig about your Roses and stir in some fresh stacked lime, and before setting your Dahlias and Tuberoses apply a dressing of lime to the soil, and stir it well in. All of these plants should be in full sunshine, and when hot weather comes mulch with stable litter. The non-blooming of the plants is probably due to the acidity of the soil. By properly applying the lime, the acid will be neutralized, and the soil will become sweet.

Clerodendron.—Mr. Park: While in Florida I saw a shrub growing three feet high, and bearing loose clusters of white flowers, out of the mouth of which dropped a red heart. I fail to find anything in the lists like it. What was it?—Mrs. H. H. Berry, Knox Co., Tenn., Dec. 23, 1913.

Ans.—The plant described is doubtless Clerodendron Balfourii. It is a shrubby plant that can be grown as a standard or as a vine. It is hardy in Florida, but must be grown as a pot plant at the North. The plant is offered in summer under the list headed "Pick Them Out." It is sold by various dealers at from 15 to 25 cents each. It is a desirable summer-blooming pot plant at the North.

Ferns.—Mr. Park: The fronds of my Boston Fern turn black at the end when they reach the height of six inches. One of the pots has turned white. What treatment do you recommend?—T. A. M., Worcester Co., Mass., Dec. 9, 1913.

Ans.—It is possible that the soil in which the Ferns are growing is tenacious and poorly drained, and that a surplus of water has caused the soil to become sour. Repot the plants in fresh, porous, fibrous earth with good drainage, making the soil firm about the roots, keeping watered and shaded until growth begins, then give more or less sunshine. Few Ferns will endure a soil that is heavy and charged with acid. Leaf-mould, chip dirt and sand, well composted, is good soil for Ferns. Always see that the drainage is thorough.

A VINE FOR THE HOME.

NOTHING gives a home more charm than the planting of vines about it, and some of the most beautiful vines can be bought of any reliable seedsman at a trifling cost. Of all the vines suitable for house planting none is lovelier than the white flowering Clematis, known to the florist as *Clematis paniculata*.

This vine can be purchased either in seeds for the modest sum of five cents a packet, or in strong one-year plants at ten or fifteen cents each, and \$1.00 or \$1.50 a dozen, prices which place it within the reach of all. It is a vigorous grower, and insect-proof, which is one of the most necessary characteristics for a vine to be cultivated about the house. Its foliage is thick and heavy, and it is such a

of this exquisite vine. The illustration was made from a photograph of a vine in full bloom.

Lorraine Anderson Allen.

West Newton, Mass., Nov. 12, 1913.

Protracted Germination. — More than three years ago I obtained two Ornamental Banana seeds and ten seeds of a mixed variety of Palms. All were planted in a very large pot, the Bananas in the center. In 30 days after, two of the Palms came up, and in two days afterward, two others. In about a month and one-half subsequently, a fifth Palm appeared; and then I gave up all hope of any more of the seeds germinating. Neither of the Banana seeds showed any life. After more than two years had elapsed, what was my astonishment to find a sixth Palm, a vigorous specimen, shoot above ground. More



A HOME ENTRANCE DECORATED WITH CLEMATIS PANICULATA.

prolific bloomer that its masses of fragrant white blossoms make a display that is one of the loveliest of autumn sights.

The vine is hardy, and easy of cultivation, requiring only good loamy soil, plenty of water and sun, and care at first, especially in training. It should be securely attached to its trellis or column, for there is danger, if the wind storms whip and break it, of the branches becoming more or less injured and mutilated. It is exceptionally free from diseases of any kind.

The *Clematis paniculata* is so lovely that every beauty-lover should know its charm. The small porch as well as the formal portico, the farmhouse as well as the millionaire's suburban residence, can be made the more home-like and hospitable by the planting and care

amazing still, on Dec. 16, 1913, more than three years from the planting of the seeds, one of the Ornamental Bananas thrust up a strong shoot about one inch long! I could scarcely believe my sight. This may be an encouragement to some of your readers, who have despaired of seeds germinating. All are doing well.

Henry Gillman.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 17, 1913.

Snapdragons. — My bed of Orchid-flowering Snapdragons grown from seeds the past season, was simply beautiful. Each plant was a bouquet of itself, rich and varied and exquisite in colors. The flower-loving friends should not fail to give this class of flowers a trial.

Harriet M. Slade.

Sidney, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1913.

REX BEGONIA—A PLEA FOR ITS RETURN.

WITHIN the past few days it has been my good fortune to visit, by special invitation, an extensive set of greenhouses, the property of a private individual of wealth, which were a joy to behold from more than one viewpoint.

In any such collection the analytical mind will at once look for the earmarks of indifference or genuine love of the work on the part of the head gardener. It is needless to state the latter was in most emphatic evidence, and there was more, namely, the determination to prevent the mind of the owner from running to the latest fads, with what this always brings, i. e.: relegating to the scrap meritorious plants and shrubs which have earned a permanent place.

It was here that I found a wonderful collection of Begonia Rex which reminded me of past years, when this plant was in great popular vogue, and deservedly so. And I found many points of culture which were unknown to me, though I have grown this plant for years with great success. Its use in various new decorative effects was also marked.

In one of the houses there is a wall, evidently unsightly in its natural state, that is today a picture. It is covered with growing plants of Begonia Rex. All that appears to have been done was to provide at the start just a little soil; after this their roots ramified in all directions, clinging to the bare wall, which is simply brick work. The position is damp naturally, and considerably shaded, while the growth is luxuriant—in fact, one might safely say rank, if he considers the usual results even under favorable conditions.

Then, in addition, the Rex Begonia were effectively used in a planted-out fernery. Their richness amongst the delicate green tracery of the ferns is indescribable. The roots here have found delight in rambling and clinging to the rock work, especially among the sand-stones. Here in this cool fernery they generally retain their foliage all the year, and make a bright and cheerful spot all winter.

As pot plants even in dwellings under unfavorable conditions, I have grown Begonia Rex with such results as to compare favorably with many greenhouse specimens. The great precaution here is not to over-water, and a fairly low temperature in winter, depending upon the summer for root and foliage development, doing all repotting in early spring.

As pot plants for the decoration of plant houses, under glass, their value stands as high as any foliage plant grown. Medium sized plants usually face one way; thus they are

well adapted for vases upon brackets, niches and corners, which you cannot say of many more petted, tender things. Under all methods of culture, Begonia Rex are most accommodating as to soil, but that which suits best is light, mellow loam, leaf mold and sand. Large pots are not at all requisite, but rather to be avoided as a disfigurement than otherwise. Propagation is simple and easily effected by the leaves: all that is required to be done is to prepare a pan with sand, and then after cutting through the ribs of the leaves, to peg one or more upon the surface, the outer portions being cut away. Plenty of young plants will soon be the result. By far is this a better plan than the cumbersome method of dividing the old plants, and more vigorous stock is obtained, plus the more beautiful effect of the small plants.

By studying the various catalogues and buying from several growers, quite an extended collection of Begonia Rex may be obtained, though there seems to have been little effort put forth to produce new and striking varieties, since Begonia Lorraine began to proclaim so loudly for popular favor. And when

one thinks of the past history of Begonia Rex the question arises, when will Lorraine, too, be a thing of the past?

In one of the Orchid houses where other tropicals are grown, the combinations of pale green, dark green, bronzes, red shades, all more or less diffused with silvery marking, made one realize that there was something worth growing be-



PLANT OF REX BEGONIA.

sides the very wonderful Crotons owned by this gentleman, whose means permit the gratification of every horticultural desire. As an edging for the self-important Crotons in the same house, one almost forgot their method of placing, and classed the Begonia Rex as a feature which they really made themselves, though otherwise intended.

In another house the walls at one end were covered with a closely cropped dense green creeper, and at intervals specimen plants were introduced with astounding effect. Here each plant formed a picture which commanded study.

Any amateur will succeed with Begonia Rex where his temperature does not drop below 40 degrees, and is not too sunny. Let us see this most useful decorative plant again assume its rightful place. Wilbur Lake.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1914.

Salvia in Tennessee.—The large scarlet Salvia is hardy here in Tennessee. By fall-sowing seedlings come up earlier and bloom much sooner than when the seeds are sown in the spring.

H. H. Berry.
Knox Co., Tenn., Dec. 14, 1913.

PÆONIES.

THE POPULARITY of this grand old flower is steadily, like John Brown's soul, "marching on." And no wonder, when one considers its good points. Once firmly established, it is there for life. You can divide it, and cut off pieces of it, and even cut it clean in two, if you are careful to leave the rest undisturbed; and it does not resent such harsh treatment, but does even better for it, giving good for evil. When in bloom it is a rival of the Rose for beauty, and its handsome, luxuriant, clean foliage—never a bug or a worm disturbs it—is certainly a comfort to turn to, when one has fought successively, individually and collectively, eleven kinds of Rose bugs and slugs. In color it ranges from deepest, darkest, richest red (the Chinese officinalis, the old-fashioned Piney) to the palest, pearliest pink, and from straw



color to cream and purest white, like feathers from an angel's wing. Some varieties boast two colors, white and lemon, or pink and cream. It surely is a fascinating business to start a collection, that goal dear to every flower-lover's heart; but it is heart-breaking to the pocket-book, for

choice varieties are not to be bought for a song, unless it be in grand opera. My garden boasts over forty clumps, mostly the double white, double pink, double rose and double red, with a few choice ones for Sunday, which as yet do not bloom much; but the others make up for it. And when it blooms I pick literally barrels.

I find it is a good idea to pick the first bloom lavishly, as by so doing the small secondary buds develop, giving a second crop of flowers, small, and so dainty and pretty. The rose-colored are sweet-scented. As to culture, it is simple. They demand a good soil, rich, heavy and tenacious. In planting do not set the plants too deeply, just so the red sprouts are nicely covered. Winter protection of strawy manure is a benefit, of course, but mine never get it. The leaves, however, blow from the lawn, down in the garden, and cover everything six inches deep. I think it advisable to reset every six or eight years, or else cut off part of the clump and leave the old one. I give away a good many and never miss them. Had I money I should certainly become an enthusiast, and grow every kind catalogued.

Mrs. E. B. Murray.

Saratoga Co., N. Y.

Improved Calla.—The new Improved Everblooming Calla produces three flowers to one of the Old Callas. It is of dwarf habit and makes a much better house plant.

Simon Humfeld.

Muncie, Ind., Sept. 12, 1913.

REMEDY FOR MOLES.

MR. EDITOR:—I notice in the Magazine that some of your readers are troubled with moles. In the early spring of 1912 I rented my home with garden and went to another State. Returning this year I noticed Castor Beans growing here and there in the garden. Asking why they were there, as we never had any, I was told it was to keep the moles away. They seemed to do it, for I found no sign of moles, although the garden had previously been infested. This fall I took advantage of your liberal offer of Tulips, and planted a large bed in October. In a short time I noticed moles working around the bed. I dug up a few Castor plants and planted around it, and also where I had planted Pæony and Phlox roots. I think it helped, for I have noticed no more mole runs being made. But I can tell you better in the spring. Anyway, the Beans do no harm, and the suggestion is worth a trial.

Knox Co., Tenn.

H. H. Berry.

Mr. Editor:—Tell your readers to plant Castor Beans where moles are troublesome. The pest will not stay where the beans are planted, for I have tried it. Plant three or four seeds in a group; and if your yard is large, plant around it *Amaranthus*, dwarf Sunflowers or giant Zinnias.

Lena Massburger.

Washington Co., Pa., Dec. 22, 1913.

Scabiosa, "Mourning Bride."

This flower of "ye olden time" is not so much cultivated as it well deserves to be. In my "Flower Mission" work I am frequently asked: "What is that pretty flower?" It serves well its mission, combined with other flowers having suitable foliage. It is mounted on long leafless stems, so that it is easily combined with shorter stemmed flowers in bouquet-making. Its colors range from white to nearly black; some of the delicate tints, as lavender, pink and orange, are beautiful. It starts out to bloom again after chilled by frost, and continues till stern freezing weather. Mrs. M. E. Osborn.

Maringo, O., Oct. 18, 1913.

Deep Planting of Gladiolus.

If planted four or five inches deep the flowers of Gladiolus will be richer in color and the markings will be more marked. One would be surprised to see the difference between shallow and deep planting of Gladiolus bulbs.

Mrs. Wm. Athawes.

Yates Co., N. Y., Oct. 20, 1913.



WINTER'S GARDEN.

WINTER has a beautiful garden as well as summer. We all have gathered winter's treasures from forest, garden and glade. We first think of Scarlet-berried Holly and Mistletoe, the magic flower, Orchid-like, the Oak tree bears; Bay leaves; varnished leaves of Laurel and Magnolia; fragrant branches of Cedars; and glistening waxy Ivy.

But some morning we arise to find that all winter's trees, shrubs and plants are bearing spectral blossoms. Nature is spiritualized. Elysian fields spread around us for spiritualized beings to gather wreaths of immortelles gemmed with diamonds.

But I wish now to regard a more practical side. Many estates are beautified by the landscape gardener with a view as to lively effects in winter. We may not follow the very rich, but we can also manage by some quiet planning to give a cheerful aspect to our grounds. Many beautiful trees come from seeds, but small plants give best results. Landscape artists move great trees for immediate effect. We often have noticed some places beautified by an æsthetic owner even in a limited way, who bore in mind winter's leaflessness, and sought to relieve the monotony.

Let us consider the open, free beauty a moment, in the autumn, "When the trees are Indian princes." Here the never shedding Oak is rustling its leaves, the loneliest sound that can be imagined. The Scarlet Oak and Scarlet Maple are royal rivals, fighting red with blood for the Indian Summer queen's favor. The Dogwoods that were so interesting in spring in gardens and forest with blossoms of white, pink, yellow, and some with variegated leaves of yellow and green, and white and green, are now all touched by the alchemy of Jack Frost, and show various colored barks, and brilliant, glowing foliage and berries of red, black, blue and white wax, and here is a bright hedge of Barberry, laden with red berries.

Let us enumerate some grand variegated evergreens that cheer and decorate winter's sphere. The silver and green leaves of the English Ivy, *Hedera argenteo-variegata*, or the green and gold leaves of *Hedera aureo-variegata* are floral inspirations. And what of the beauty of *Euonymus aureo-variegata*, a shrub with golden foliage with scarlet berries with orange axils, or *Euonymus argenteo-variegata*, with silver leaves and red berries.

Then the grand list of ornamentals, Japanese Golden Cypress, *Retinospora*; Golden Arbor Vitæ, *Thuja*; Golden Box, *Buxus*

argentea-variegata nana; and the beautiful variegated Holly, a leaf of silver, green and gold.

But we may even gather real blossoms from winter's garden. Witch Hazel, *Hamamelis*, blooms in November, after all others are put to sleep for the season. Even after its brilliant colored leaves fall, the naked branches suddenly blossom out, wreathed with golden flowers with twisted, curled petals. One miracle!

Now for another. The Christmas Rose, *Helleborus niger*, after being well established and spread into a generous clump or mat, will bloom from November until March, only needing a few warm days to bring out the glistening white blossoms, each tufted with a mass of stamens. This flower, more than any other, bridges the gap between the Rose of autumn and the Rose of spring. This plant grows in the shade, but will give best results if planted to the south of a wall.

Narcissus, *Chionodoxa*, *Galanthus*, *Crocus*, during prolonged warm spells will spring up and blossom, and so do some shrubs, notably the *Cydonia Japonica*. All know of the premature swelling of buds of fruit trees only too well. So winter is not without its garden of bloom.

Naked-flowered Jasmine, *Jasminum nudiflorum*, blooms so early that we might claim it for a winter blossoming shrub, blooming on its naked branches so like its friend on the other end of the line, and then the long succession of spring blossoms is begun.

The variegated *Yucca* makes us forget we are in winter, for it looks like some tropical plant, a *Dracena* or *Pandanus*: Sweet William plants, some dyed red and some rich green, present a foliage bed of winter colors. *Galax* is a brilliant ornamental leaved plant for decoration.

I associate winter's conge and return after encore, with the "Alder by the river that shakes out its powdery urls," and the various Catkin family, *Corylus*, Pussy Willows, and others.

D'Elroy Jenkins.

West Point, Ky., Dec. 29, 1913.

Rubber Plant.—The Rubber Plant I find admirably adapted to a room heated with gas; the broad, thick, leathery leaves withstanding gas and dust. On my specimen the leaves were nine inches long by four in width, and it is a young plant. Its beauty is commented on by all, especially its curious manner of putting forth new leaves.

Alonzo Rice.

Shelbyville, Ind., Oct. 6, 1913.



CHRISTMAS ROSE.

PETUNIAS FOR POT CULTURE OR BEDS.

PETUNIAS are adapted to either beds or pots. Of many beautiful, variegated colorings, free-blooming, fragrant and showy, they will make a gorgeous display the entire season until after frost. The young plants grow rapidly and bloom early. The large-flowered strains are beautiful and



of great variety. Because of the ease and facility with which all the single flowered varieties of the Petunia can be grown from seeds, it should command attention as a candidate for the flower garden. The double flowered varieties are rendered expensive because they must be reproduced from

seeds, which set only after careful pollination of the flowers, an expensive operation; or from cuttings, of which an individual plant can supply a limited quantity.

For the best results the seeds of all sorts should be sown in a seed bed, or in a window box, and transplanted. When the soil is warm and danger of frost is past, these seedlings should be transplanted to a rich garden loam soil about one foot apart. The double sorts are less vigorous, and require more attention. If sown in the house, cover with glass. In planting out in the seed bed, scatter the seeds well over the surface, and firm with a board. Do not cover the seeds. Petunias are attractive in beds or masses, as broad borders, or in window boxes. They thrive in nearly all soils, and endure drouth, but repay care and attention. They are continuous bloomers.

Orleans, Vt.

Rose Abnett.

Wistaria.—In your September issue of the Floral Magazine I find on page 152 an article on Wistaria vine. The writer says "wait." I had a friend who had a Wistaria that refused to bloom for a number of years. Some one suggested that he use hen manure at the roots. He did, and the plant bloomed freely. He worked in a peck of old hen manure about its roots, and such beautiful blooms I have never seen. It is in bloom now. And each year it brings forth an abundance of bloom since this simple operation. Try it. M. E. Colvin.

Lyons, N. Y., Sept. 17, 1913.

White Elm.—The American White Elm responds nicely to training into shape by trimming. Almost any desired shape may be obtained. They are quite ornamental, and have the appearance of the Bay tree, which is so expensive.

Simon Humfeld.

Muncie, Ind., Sept. 12, 1913.

EXPERIENCE WITH PANSIES.

DURING the first week of April, 1912, I worked up a bed about four feet wide and six feet long, and sowed a packet of mixed Pansy seeds. By the first week in June there were quite a number of plants in bloom, and all through the summer months the bed remained a mass of color.

I plucked the blossoms almost daily to prevent seeding, and a caller rarely came and went without taking away a handful of beautiful flowers. Sometimes a visitor would prefer one color; then I would gather all the yellows; or, perhaps, all the purple shades, these being the general favorites.

The bed was located in a sunny place, having shade in the hottest weather only in the late afternoon. When frost came I had about two

dozen plants which had survived the intense heat and the ravages of the chickens.



PANSY PLANTS AND FLOWERS.

These I removed to the border on each side of the front walk, placing straw about them during the coldest weather. In January one saucy little plant sent up two or three bright blossoms, and it was not long before their noses were frost bitten.

From early in March until late in July these plants bore profusely. My Pansies were admired by everyone who passed, and many stopped to ask questions about them—whether I sowed the seeds or bought the plants, if they stayed in the ground all winter, if they would bloom all the summer, if it hurt or helped the plants to cut the blossoms, and whether they should be in shade or sunshine.

They have bloomed continually (though less profusely than in early summer) until October, when I moved them again to a new bed. Here they will be protected by a light covering of straw, and I shall expect them to pay me back next spring with many bright flowers.

Mattie W. Harris.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 8, 1913.

Dahlias from Seeds.—Up to within a few years ago I had thought the only way to raise Dahlias was from the roots, but having seen fairly nice ones at a neighbor's, I



sent for a packet of mixed seeds to try the experiment myself. They grew slowly at first, and I began to think they would be a failure; but before the frost came there were both double and single ones in several shades of red, also

pinks and a most beautiful double yellow. I felt well paid for troubling to start the seeds in the house.

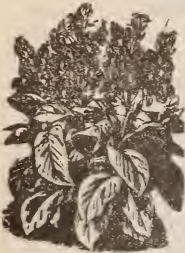
H. L. G.

Genesee Co., Mich., Oct. 11, 1913.

PLANTING SEEDS.

THE SEASON has arrived for starting plants for bedding out when the proper time arrives—Pansies, Carnations, Cannas. There are so many things we want. The best plan is to plan the flower beds first, and then get only what we have room for.

Cannas are easily raised from seeds, and are so satisfactory as a bedding plant that I wonder they are not generally cultivated. "I have always wanted Cannas," said a friend, "but they are so very expensive." "Just try seeds this year," I advised, "and see how cheap and satisfactory you will find them."



CANNA.

Canna seeds are hard shelled, and require either filing or scalding to soften the hard shell. If this is neglected, the seeds will lie unsprouted for weeks. If planted in February or March, the plants will be fine and large by May, and make nice blooming plants. It pays to get the best seeds, and they must

have good soil right from the beginning. Scald the seeds, and plant two inches apart in the seed row. When they come up you will be delighted, for they will look just like a row of corn. Now watch them unfold their leaves, and very likely you will have some help about that, for they are so sturdy and vigorous even the hired man will be measuring their growth over night. A good box of seedling Cannas is surely among the "must haves."

Hardy Carnations, too, are so easily raised from seeds I wonder one does not see more of them. For cutting flowers they are next to Roses. There are so many varieties one finds it hard to choose the best. Get several packets of seeds and have a large bed. Plant the seeds in boxes in February or early March, being careful not to cover too deep, when the tiny plants appear. Remember that mice like Carnations. If they disappear mysteriously over night, just put out your mouse-trap. Keep the soil well stirred between the rows, and the plants will be nice large ones by the first of May.

Margaret J. Mann.

Boulder, Colo.

Fringed Chinese Primroses.—

These are the brightest and most free-blooming of all window plants in the house during the winter months. They do well in a cool room and will bloom freely in a north window, while most flowers require the warm sunshine to coax them to bloom. Seed should be sown in shallow boxes of light soil during the spring months, or secure plants of the florist that will soon bloom. Keep the young plants in a shady place during the summer. The charming effects to be obtained from these plants will repay you for all your trouble.

Rose Abnett.

Orleans, Vt.

CALLAS AGAIN.

WHEN I WROTE my article on Callas I did not think of getting any help, but right here I want to thank every one who so kindly wrote to me, telling me of their different ways of growing this beautiful flower. I had over 20 letters, and every one was good. I put them all away for reference. But I have some lovely Callas now. In late August I received one day from a lady in San Francisco, Cal., (an entire stranger to me) a long letter, a large picture of her beautiful yard, showing her bed of Callas in full bloom; and, best of all, a big box containing eight enormous bulbs of Calla Lily. Say! I am over 50 years old and weigh 200 pounds, but I simply danced for joy. If that friend ever realized the pleasure she gave me! I gave away three of them to a Calla-loving friend who came in just at that moment, and potted the other five in two large jars. First, I put in two inches of drainage, then used very rich soil from the hot-bed, digging up the old black manure from underneath, adding plenty of sand. Then, when potted, I watered thoroughly and put them away under a shelf on the east side of the house where I keep my Crinums and Amaryllis, and tried to forget them. Once in a while I gave some water, but I did leave them pretty thoroughly alone for several weeks, then they began to grow in earnest. So I gave them plenty of water and sun, bringing them into the house early. At this time (Nov. 10th) they look fine. One bulb is enormous, the leaves and stalks so big, and all look good. I see no reason why I shall not have some success this time. I am firmly convinced that the reason I failed before was lack of good drainage and too much fussing. I reasoned that they liked water, so let them have it. It was certainly cheap. So I deluged them, and having no drainage of course they got too much of it. Then I chased the poor things all over the house. Wherever the sun shone in a window there I dragged those unfortunate Callas. Now I put them in a window and let them alone. If I have any flowers I shall certainly report.

Mrs. E. B. Murray.

Saratoga Co., N. Y., Nov. 10, 1913.

Clematis.—I have a Clematis paniculata that has stood 18° below zero. It has made a growth of about 15 feet. The past season it was a perfect "blanket of bloom." It is almost as pretty after it blooms, being covered with graceful shining seed-pods.

Alonzo Rice.

Shelbyville, Ind., Oct. 6, 1913.

To Get Rid of Moles.—Gently slip a trowel into the mole runs and put a tablespoonful of concentrated lye into each run in several places, disturbing the earth as little as possible. The moles will disappear.

Mrs. Abby M. Clark.

Rush Co., Ind., Dec. 11, 1913.

SNAPDRAGONS.

I WROTE you about these flowers some time ago, but there is so much to say about them that another letter won't matter. Perhaps you didn't realize the beauty and goodness of them. Mine were planted in the spring, and have been in full bloom since they were six inches tall. Now they are great green masses covered with spikes of rich blossoms in many colors—crimson, white, pink, yellow, and variegated. As cut flowers they are lovely.

The plants are green all the winter, and our Southern mountain winters are very cold. In the early spring they are ready to bloom again as fresh as ever.

The name is not attractive, to be sure, and the catalogue name is a regular tongue twister. But the flowers are larger than Sweet Pea blossoms, they are waxy and fragrant, and the spikes, although very heavy, are extremely graceful. As we say in the South, I like it mightily as a plant and as a flower. The florists care a good deal for it, too, and often grow it in greenhouses for winter use. It is lovely as a pot plant in the home window. For this purpose a good plan is to select from the garden bed the sorts you want and take from each a handful of strong cuttings. Set these in pots of good soil. They grow easily and are soon in bloom. The rich velvety, crimson and the waxy white are the prettiest, to my way of seeing things, but you might prefer the waxy pink or the creamy yellow. All of them are beautiful, cheerful and dainty.

Iredell Co., N. C.

E. F. W.

Milkweed and Red Root.—The Milkweed, *Asclepias cornuti*, spoken of in the Magazine, is a very nice, healthful greens, and the root has great medicinal qualities. I have known very severe cases of dropsy cured with it, after all of the doctors had failed to cure. There is another weed that generally grows in every garden, the leaves of which when growing among potatoes look very much like the potato, but it always has a root. This is most excellent greens, better than Spinach. It is always free from insects. Large stalks will be so tender. It is Red Root.

Hibbing, Minn., 1913.

R. J. Flint.

Note.—*Lachnanthes tinctoria* is generally known as Red Root, but is not the plant referred to above. It is a perennial, with fibrous roots, and equitant leaves, and mostly found in swamps.—Ed.

Giant Parsnip.—Among my many plants the one to attract the most attention was a Giant Parsnip, even before it bloomed. The leaves were of immense size, deeply notched and very ornamental. It reached the height of four feet before it bloomed, and the blossoms were, indeed, a revelation. Bees, butterflies, and many other insects were busy among the white flowers. It was "a thing of beauty and a joy."

Alonzo Rice.

Shelbyville, Ind., Oct. 6, 1913.

PINKS.

JUST PINKS! that's all. Last year I laid out a new border, over 50 feet long, each side of a wide path. When everything was put in it there were still many empty spaces. I wanted something for more than one season, so I said, "what shall it be?" One day I went to our village grocery store, and saw in a box of seeds a paper of Pinks, mixed China and Japan, I think; also one of Sweet Williams, each five cents. I don't usually buy seeds at a grocery store, but I knew this seedsman's seeds to be good, so I invested, and sowed them in the garden. Every seed grew, and, in spite of drouth, thrived; and for four weeks, whenever I had a spare moment, I set out Pinks. Some way I hated to lose one, so I set them all out. They grew rapidly, commenced blooming in late summer, and never stopped until about two weeks ago. I think there were no two alike. I never saw such a variety of colors, and we picked great basketfuls of them, and, best of all, when the spring comes they will be there ready for business. Talk about your money's worth. I surely got it that time. The Sweet Williams did not bloom, but I expect great things from them another season.



Mrs. E. B. Murray.
Saratoga Co., N. Y., Nov. 24, 1913.

Clematis.—Among the many hardy climbers I have found none more beautiful and satisfactory in every way than the Clematis. The Jackmani, with its rich purple flowers, is especially desirable. In our cold climate (northern New York) we remove the vine from the trellis and protect it with a liberal dressing of rotted manure. In the spring we cut back the branches to the leaf-buds that show signs of life, and are rewarded by a wonderful growth of vine and a wealth of flowers. The *Paniculata* is especially desirable as a late-blooming climber. A fine specimen is one mass of white flowers, near by the window where I am writing this in September.

Ella F. Flanders.

Chatauqua Co., N. Y., Sept. 24, 1913.

Hardy Phlox.—Of all perennials the Hardy Phlox stands foremost. The large new flowering hybrids of late introduction are such an improvement in size and color of blooms that no garden should be without them. They bloom at a season when outdoor flowers are not so plentiful, which makes them all the more desirable to plant.

Simon Humfeld.

Muncie, Ind., Sept. 12, 1913.

KEEPING DAHLIAS AND CANNAS.

I HAVE noticed in directions for keeping Dahlias and Cannas that they should be taken up after the frost has killed the tops, as if the frosting were necessary; but I think the roots will keep better without the frost. Then we are told to store them in a cool, dry place, but are not told how cool, which I think makes some difference.

My Dahlias, if well dried out before placing in the cellar, keep nice and plump. My cellar



ROOTS OF DAHLIA.

never freezes, but gets near it, as there is no heater in it. But French Cannas will rot if kept there. I dig my Cannas, cut the tops off short, leave most of the dirt on, dry them thoroughly, then store in a box within six feet of the stove, where I have a fire most of the time in cold weather, and the room is warm enough for plants on top. This morning the fire was out, but it was 52° in one box, and 58° in the upper box. The roots are covered with perfectly dry dirt, and are keeping nicely. The Canna is one of my favorites.

Ima writes that she plants her Cannas in dirt, and waters them a little in winter, but does not say how warm she keeps them; but I think it must be considerably above freezing, or they would rot.

H. F. Fletcher.

Middlesex Co., Mass., Jan. 9, 1914.

Perennial Poppy.—One of the most showy flowers known is the Perennial Poppy. It blooms in May or June, but does not continue in bloom very long. The flowers are very large, and of a beautiful silky texture, and the colors are the different shades of red and orange. The plants are perfectly hardy, and are not more difficult to grow than most perennials. They are usually said to be very hard to transplant, as they have roots similar to the annual variety, and it is best to sow them where they can remain.

Wayne Co., W. Va.

W. C. Mollett.

[Note.—Plants of Perennial Poppy are easily transplanted in early spring, before the leaves develop. They may also be safely transplanted in summer, when well-rooted, but will invariably lose their foliage, and remain dormant for two or three weeks until new foliage develops.—Ed.]

Petunias.—Everybody who loves flowers should plant Petunias. They are always in bloom and make pretty window boxes or hanging baskets. I planted them in boxes outside the window this year, and they hang almost to the ground, and are covered with bright blossoms all the time. The seeds can be sown early in the spring, and will grow and bloom early.

Roena Edge.

Coweta Co., Ga., Oct. 18, 1913.

SWEET PEAS.

WE HAVE always planted them. We have been glad to have them grow three feet tall and bloom through May, believing that in the South one could expect no more of Sweet Peas. But that was when we planted them the first of March. Now we know that we have not been fair with this most flowery of all flowers.

The first of last October I planted in my daughter's garden a long row of Sweet Peas. The soil is exceptionally fine, and was well enriched with fertilizer from the chicken house. The row ran north and south against a five foot wire fence. I did not dig a trench to be filled as the plants grew, but the seeds were covered rather deeply. They had the evening sun, and were soon "coming up." They were green and fresh all the winter in spite of the wind sweeping down from the mountains, and as soon as spring came they began to grow in earnest. The vines are so strong and thick that you would not know upon which side of the wire they had been planted.



I never saw such a dense, healthy growth. They are just beginning to bloom. The flowers are very large, and the vines are towering above the five-foot fence, so that a narrow woven wire must be added to its height for their support. Positively, although I have grown flowers all my life and know considerable about them, I have never seen anything like those Sweet Peas.

In my own garden I planted the very same kind of seeds the first of March, giving nearly the same exposure, and running the row north and south. I used the same kind of fertilizer, but the soil is not naturally so fine. My Sweet Peas are something like three feet tall, the vines are scant and thin, and the flowers that are beginning to open are of ordinary size.

Moral: Plant Sweet Peas here in the fall.

Iredell Co., N. C.

E. F. W.

Argemone.—I heartily agree with L. E. H., of Oregon, in what was said about Argemone, or Mexican Poppy. I have the white and yellow, and if there are other colors I would like them. The white flowers are the largest, and make the most show, but should be handled carefully, as the plants are so much like a thistle, though I like them for all. I got my seeds from friends, under the name of Prickly Poppy.

H. F. Fletcher.

Middlesex Co., Mass., Jan. 9, 1914.

ABOUT THE GLADIOLUS.

THE GLADIOLUS is a most satisfactory flower to grow for commercial purposes, or for the home garden. No flower excels it in keeping qualities, and none is better for shipping long distances. A box shipped eight hundred miles arrived in fine condition. For these reasons the Gladiolus is growing in favor with florists. The new varieties are far superior to the ones raised a few years ago, being so much larger, and the colors more varied and beautiful.



While the Gladiolus will thrive and blossom under adverse conditions it pays to give them good care. Planted in good garden soil, six inches deep, well staked, and thoroughly cultivated, they are a beautiful sight in their season. Flowers should be cut when the first blossoms begin to unfold. Placed in water every bud will develop. The water should be changed each day, and a tiny slice of stem cut off. The season can be lengthened by making different plantings.

Margaret M. Mann.

Boulder, Col., Jan. 7, 1914.

Physostegia Virginica.—This unique and attractive hardy perennial plant deserves to be generally known, as for single specimens in the mixed flowers border, or as borders for shrubbery its value is beyond question, being perfectly hardy, of strong, robust growth, and free from all insect pests. It should be grown in a very deep, well enriched soil, and an open, sunny situation. It begins to bloom early in July, and under favorable conditions will continue for about two months. The flowers are produced in large, graceful spikes, on stalks about eighteen inches in height, and are of a beautiful bright pink color. It must be remembered that the ground cannot be too well enriched, or made too deep for this plant; so in early winter a good mulch of stable manure should be given, and of this as much as possible be dug in around the plants in the ensuing spring.

Floral Park, N. Y. Chas. E. Parnell.

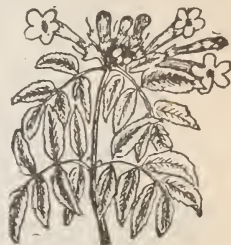
Nicotiana.—I started Nicotiana in a window in March, and the thrifty little plants were crying to be put out as soon as the weather would permit. They lost no time after the transplanting, either, and were soon great clumps of greenness, with one spike of fragrant bloom following another. Drouth did not seem to injure, though the water when it came did rejoice them. In the fall some plants were brought in for our window-boxes, and with a very brief rest they again bloomed and perfumed our house.

M. B. Y.

So. Hadley, Mass., Jan. 27, 1914.

TRUMPET CREEPER.

THE BIGNONIA RADICANS, commonly called Trumpet Creeper, made me a perfect lover of flowers. We had one in our back yard with no suggestion for creeping, so I cut the long runners off, and the plant became self-supporting. Such a fine blooming shrub was formed that I would sit whole afternoons admiring its graceful, trumpet-like flowers and handsome foliage. I have now several of these fine plants starting. My experience with them is that if you cut their roots you will not have to transplant any more, for they start readily from the roots. Take my advice and try a plant, either as a vine or a shrub.



Katie Budde.

Mankato, Minn., Nov. 14, 1913.

Cannas from Seeds.—I tried Cannas from seeds a year ago, just for the novelty of it. I first filed the seeds and soaked them in warm water for twenty-four hours before planting; but I fear that I filed too deep on some of the seeds, as a few of them rotted. After the plants were well started, they were transplanted to a sunny bed and given plenty of water. Before frost came I was surprised to see spikes of buds, not having expected them to bloom the first year. By covering them on cold nights I got all the varieties to blossom, each being different from the other, as it was from a packet of mixed seeds.

Genesee Co., Mich., Oct. 11, 1913. H. L. G.

Pinks.—From a packet of Dianthus Pink seeds we have many varieties of beautiful bloom. The seeds were put in a cold frame early; then, when the plants were a few inches in height, were transplanted to the border, where they have bloomed continuously, even since frost has said warningly, "Stop!" Red, pink, white, and intermingling shades are produced in both single and double flowers. These plants are biennial in habit, and next year will be produced in multiplied stems, stronger, and with larger flowers, making a solid mass of bloom of great beauty. We plan to increase our number of Pink flats another year.

M. E. Osburn.

Marengo, O., Oct. 18, 1913.

African Marigolds.—I never appreciated the African Marigolds much until this summer. I got some seeds of the improved varieties, and have a bed of about two dozen plants. Some are dark yellow, and some light yellow. They have bloomed all the summer, and are still covered with large double flowers.

Newnan, Ga., Oct. 18, 1913. Roena Edge.

TUBEROUS BEGONIAS.

TUBEROUS BEGONIAS have given me perfect satisfaction, and elicit only words of praise from all who see them. The only trouble an amateur is likely to have is in starting them. Packed in damp moss or cotton and kept in a warm place there will be little trouble. Once started they grow



rapidly. For porch boxes or window boxes on the north side of a building, they are not excelled by any other plant. The soil must be well drained, porous, and the plants not allowed to suffer for water.

Margaret M. Mann.

Boulder, Col., Jan. 7, 1914.

Montbretias.—These are summer-flowering bulbs, somewhat resembling Gladiolus, but are more hardy, and will stand the winter here without protection. The most hardy and common variety has orange-colored flowers, and is sometimes called "golden sheaf." There are others having flowers of the various shades of red and yellow, but they are of a more delicate habit and not usually as satisfactory as the orange-colored variety. It is well worthy of a trial by all who admire summer-flowering bulbs. W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va.

[Note.—The beautiful scarlet-flowered Montbretia named Etoile de Feu is as hardy as any, and very showy. Left in the ground it becomes a strong clump and increases in beauty with age. North of Washington all Montbretias should be planted in a sheltered place and given protection in winter.—Ed.]

Ageratum and Salvia.—One of the prettiest things I have seen this fall is a large bed of Ageratum and Salvia. The blue Ageratum and Scarlet Salvia mixed make such a bright, showy bed, and bloom when other flowers are not so plentiful. They do not require much attention, and are not bothered by insects. They are easily grown from seeds.

Roena Edge.

Coweta Co., Ga., Oct. 18, 1913.

EVENING BLOOMERS.

HAVE YOU ever tried a corner of these? Somehow the summer is different when you have them—there's a new charm to it. Most evening bloomers are white, large, single and fragrant. And the Magnolia-scented Moonflower is queen of them all. It is so very lovely, so mysterious, so like a song, or a poem, or a message from some wonder-world.

But there are Moonflowers and Moonflowers, and you want the right sort, or you will be disappointed. The kind you want comes, not in a seed packet, not as a big, dry root, but as a very slender little plant sent out after danger of frost is over. It is the Magnolia-scented, the real Southern Moonflower, and the vine grows thriftily after the days are quite warm, and when it begins to bloom the family gathers around it, and the neighbors come over, and everybody is happy. You may have them every summer from youth to old age, and watch them every evening, but you never will get used to seeing the long, slender buds tremble as if some angel hand touched them, and then open like fairy umbrellas, sweet and wide and white. You never can get accustomed to the little whiff of strangely delicious perfume, to the great waxy disk settling quietly into place against the dark background of leaves, just as if it hadn't been making your pulses thrill for five minutes! Oh, I do love Moonflowers. I like to lay my face against them and wonder where they do come from, and who opens them for me.

And the angel-trumpet Daturas, they are rarely lovely, and there is a hardy sort that will grow along with your Moonflowers. The big, saucer-like Primroses are fine for this corner, which must be supplied with some sort of seats. And if there is a night-blooming Jessamine it will want to be close to its old friends. A little one in a small pot is almost too sweet for anywhere except out of doors. Then there is the Star flower that Mr. Park sends out. It is simply lovely, and grows for the fun of it. Old-fashioned Four O'clocks ought to begin the evening carnival. To be sure, very few of them are white, but they open in time for the humming birds, and the children love to gather laps full. I love the bright, friendly, gaily colored things.

There are others that you will find once you get started, and just like I tell you, the summer that you have this corner will be—

E. F. W.

Iredell Co., N. C.

Boston Fern.—Ferns seem to thrive best in leaf-mould, and I find they do much better if first set in pots that would seem small for most plants. As soon as the roots touch the edge of the pot repot in a little larger dish, also give a little castor oil occasionally. To sprinkle thoroughly, often, is a great help, both to appearance and growth. Mrs. Wm. Athawes.

Pen Yan, Yates Co., N. Y., Oct. 20, 1913.

LONG-BLOOMING ANNUAL FLOWERS.

MANY READERS no doubt have settled plans in regard to what flowers they intend to raise. Others who start out with no definite plan, get no satisfying returns for labor and expense, and become entirely dissatisfied with flowers. It is to the latter class that I would write.

Flowers are grown for two purposes: first, to ornament the yard or lawn; second, to beautify the windows. I will describe ten annuals suited for yards and garden with the longest blooming season, the most flowers for the least amount of time and money.

Alyssum, Sweet; height 4 to 10 inches; June until frost; white; self-sows; fragrant; adaptable for borders.

Ageratum; blooms July to October; lavender, blue, white; adapted for beds or borders.

Eschscholtzia; June till frost; white, yellow, crimson; suitable for borders.

French Marigold; June till frost; yellow, brown; suitable for beds or borders.

Nasturtiums; June till frost; all colors; dependable.

Phlox; June till frost; all colors; self-sows; suitable for beds or borders; dependable.

Portulaca; July till frost; white, yellow, red; needs but little care; suitable for beds.

Verbena; July till frost; all colors; adapted to beds or window boxes.

Marvel of Peru, also called Four-o'Clock; all colors; fragrant; suitable for beds.

Poppies; all colors; require but little care; early; late bloomers; self-sows.

Try a bed of red Phlox for center, Little Gem Sweet Alyssum next, Blue Star Ageratum for the outside border.

Orleans, Vt.

Rose Abnett.

Cobaea Scandens.—I have found no annual climber equal to the *Cobaea Scandens*. Its red stems, graceful foliage, odd green and purple bells, and its tenacious "clingers" make it all one can desire in an annual vine. For

two summers I have had one plant by the kitchen door. It soon outgrew its allotted space, festooned the window on its left, and covered the top of the screen door on its right, while some branches reached the roof above. The plants are tender at first, but by taking care, when first bedded out, they soon become rugged and repay all the care they have cost us. In planting set the seeds edgewise in the soil.

H. L. Richards.

Morris Co., Kans., Nov. 17, 1913.

Hydrangea.—*Hydrangea arborescens* is one of the best blooming shrubs of all the later introductions. It begins to bloom in June. Its snowball-like flowers are very showy. It should be planted in every yard.

Simon Humfeld.

Muncie, Ind., Sept. 12, 1913.

A PRETTY FLOWER BED.

I AM not much of an advocate of formal flower beds. I like banks and drifts of flowers that are trusted to have their own way. But sometimes we just must have a little set bed for a few choice plants—Hyacinths, Geraniums, Forget-me-nots, or something. Well, one of the nicest little beds is a clover leaf design made of three half barrels and a long slim box for the stem. You half bury the barrels and the box and fill them all with rich soil, and there you are. Some little trailing vines around the edge and something choice and lovable—real close-to-you flowers—is what you want. If the bed is made in the lawn, a bit of turf, or a handful of grass seeds mends the trouble when you are tired of the bed.

Another even prettier deep bed is made in a quite easy way. If someone has been trimming trees get the limbs that are something like the size of your wrist and saw them into foot lengths. It takes a good many. Make your design round or oval and drive the pieces of wood all along the line, letting them touch one another. Dig, fill with soil and plant. Mine had tulips set very close in it, and it was a veritable beauty spot.

E. F. W.

Iredell Co., N. C.

Ferns in a Window.—I have a fine large bay window on the east side of my dining room. Last March I got a Boston Fern, quite a young plant, and it has not grown as well as it should. It is looking much better since the weather has grown cooler, so now I am in hopes of having a fine large Fern by next spring. I have it in a south cottage window in a flower pot 6½ inches in diameter. I got leaf mould, the best available, and put rocks, sand and charcoal in the bottom for drainage. There are several small Ferns in the pot, but the main Fern is not sending out any fronds since it began to grow, and the new plants stand up out of the earth. Would it be better to take them up and set them deeper around the edge of the pot?

Mrs. J. J. McCarthy.

Ellis Co., Kas., Nov. 11, 1913.

Plant Trees.—It has been said that a sure way to make one feel at home in a new place is to plant a tree or shrub and watch it grow. I think one of the hardest things one has to endure when leaving an old home is to feel that the trees and plants one has been collecting for years must be left behind. To ease my own heart-ache in this respect I immediately began planting in the new home many of the varieties left in the old, and the result has been a renewed interest in the general planting of favorite plants and trees everywhere. I may never eat of the fruit or gather the flowers of many of them, but someone will, and thus I will in a measure repay the debt I owe those who have gone before.

Ella F. Flanders.





FLORAL POETRY.

THE LONE POPLAR TREE.

The old Poplar tree now stands lonely and bare,
Devoid of its mantle of bright vernal sheen;
And where the leaves' beauty oft times gloried there,
The branches now linger, all haggard and lean.

How majestic it looked alone on the hill,
Well matured in the rich, early June-time of life;
And now in the silence, so sad and so still,
Shorn of its vesture by Nature's dread knife.

Now bending down with its low-bowing branches,
That a moment ago were all golden and red;
Fearful lest snows in quick avalanches
Will cast it forever 'mong the dying and dead.

Now barren and bare that old Poplar tree,
That stood at the head of the green summer train,
Will reincarnate for you and for me,
More fair and more bright—yes, in full bloom
[again!]

New York City.

T. A. Doran.

AFTERMATH.

Once flowers bloomed along the path,
Where oft I strayed on summer morn;
But now has come sad aftermath,
The flowers all are gone.
But in the meantime I have found
Sweet Hope, the fairest flower of all,
Some day I shall walk on fairer ground,
Where bloom sweet flowers eternal.
Tho' flowers are gone I will not rue,
Tho' bare and brown my garden lies;
Some day I'll walk 'neath skies all blue,
Amid the flowers of Paradise.

Orleans, Vt.

Lila R. Leach.

BEAUTY EVERYWHERE.

Beautiful rocks and laughing rills.
Beautiful trees and beautiful rills;
Beautiful birds with cheerful song
Making life sweet as we go along.

Beautiful grapes in clusters sweet,
Beautiful pears for children to eat,
Beautiful peach with cheek so red,
Apples and plums—oh, not half is said.

Beautiful flowers of every hue,
Goldenrod, Aster, and Violet blue—
Beautiful all that here we see,
Beautiful world and the world to be.

Kahoka, Ark., Dec. 2, 1913. Asaph C. Dewey.

MY VALENTINE.

Last night I dreamed it was spring,
And I heard the Bluebirds sing.
The woods was filled with music soft and sweet.
I thought the Violets blue
Had dropped with the falling dew,
So thickly were they sprinkled at my feet.

The flowers spoke of you, dear,
And I felt that you were near,
And my heart was filled with love divine.
Violets I'll send to you,
With love that is ever true,
And trust that you will be my Valentine.

Austin, Ill.

Mrs. E. P. Ford.

LILIES OF THE VALLEY.

Lilies of the Valley,
How sweet are they!
I could live among them
For many a day.
Sweet little Lilies,
Bells of white,
Pretty and fragrant
All day and night.



Emblem of purity,
Emblem of love,
You spring from the earth
When the sun shines above,
You brighten our garden
With verdure and bloom.
We rejoice at your coming
To break winter's gloom.

Huntingdon, Pa.

Mrs. Jas. Cunningham

OUR BIRDS AND FLOWERS.

Can you think what the world would be without
Never a cheerful note [birds?]
Bursting forth on the morning air,
From the slender, beautiful throat.
With never a flutter of graceful wings
In all the land to be heard—
Never a sight of the beautiful things
The Father christened birds!

Can you think what the world would be without
Never a bright sweet face [flowers?]
Raised to reflect its life to ours,
Be it high or lowly place?
With never a fragrance on the air,
So rich, so pure, so sweet—
Never a blossom fresh and fair,
To help make life complete!

Oh! if ever there should come a time
When throughout the realms of earth,
Of feathered coats and songs sublime,
Of whirl and music a dearth,
No buds to bloom, no blossoms gay,
To catch the dew of heaven,
No breath of spring or summer day,
No more a smile God-given!

Oh, shades unknown! Oh, gloom so dread!
All Nature would outcry.
In sadness I would bow my head
And humbly beg to die.

Watonga, Okla.

Mrs. Hattie L. Glasgow,

HYACINTHS.

So fair was she; my Hyacinth,
As she stood in her laughing grace,
A Hyacinth sweet in her sunny hair,
And love's bright light in her face.
Her tender eyes shone deep as stars;
I clasped her close: "Dear heart,
'Tis my bonnie bride stands close at my side,
Please God, we'll never part!"

So fair was she, my Hyacinth,
As she lay in pallid grace,
A Hyacinth sweet in her sunny hair,
And Heaven's own light on her face;
Her tender eyes fast closed to the light,
Dear hands on her bosom crossed,
And I bent above in an anguished love,
And mourned o'er all I'd lost.

Danbury, Conn.

Vera Payne Rockwell.

EGYPTIAN SCENES.**IRRIGATION.**

The shadoof and the sakieh
Are the voices of the land;
Their creaking sounds from morn till night.
Are heard on every hand.

RIVER CRAFT.

The dahabiyeh is the boat
That draws you through the sand;
With crescent sail of tattered blue,
It hugs the leeward strand.

FARMERS.

The fellaheen are worthy folk
Who plenteous crops demand;
All day they till 'neath blazing sun,
By few cool breezes fanned.

FARGUM.

But in that garden spot, Fargum,
The Rose-land of the south,
We see the fruits and flocks that toll
And water brought from drought.

Baltimore, Md. Will Thompson.

AWAKING.

Hark to hidden flowers growing,
Under ice and under snow,
While they're waiting there, just knowing
Soon the wintry cold will go.

Then they'll raise their pretty faces,
Their companions sweetly greeting,
Over brown earth's soft embraces,
Warm caressing breezes meeting.

Dainty gems of early spring,
'Waking from their slumbers long,
Like a heart-prayer, ever bringing
Blessings sweet, of joy and song.

Cumberland Co., Pa. Ola Osmond.

THE FEEL OF THE FROST.

The fields lie golden in the sun today;
Soft and mellow with the western light,
That charmingly challenges chilly night,
As it draws apace, in mantle gray,
While somber twilight fades away,
And darkness steals on silent night
Upon the sense of mortal sight,
A token that Earth's things decay.
Oh Earth! with endless beauties rare,
Unfolding rich profusion grand,
A circle of the wide earth spanned,
We wonder at thy glory, fair;
And as we wonder comes a fear
We cannot tell from whence or why;
But when the sweets of life are nigh,
The Dread Destroyer may appear.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 11, 1913. Bert Morehouse.

AH! IF I COULD.

My baby of the tangled hair,
And mischief-eyes; and sweet and fair
The fleet hours of your babyhood
Do light a faint sweet promise there;
If I could say I understood!
Ah! if I could! Ah! if I could!

My baby of the heart of gold,
The coming years will swift unfold—
Reveal the glory that you wear.
I would not loose me from your hold,
For all my dreams and longings fair
Lie hidden in your tangled hair.

Danbury, Conn. Vera Payne Rockwell.

PRESSED FLOWERS.

A Violet, each blue eye gleamed;
A Rose, each cheek as I addressed her:
So very flower-like she seemed,
At once I pressed her.

Shelbyville, Ind. Alonzo Rice.

THE CITY CALENDAR.

You never saw the fields and woods, you are a city child?

Ah! though the skies are rainy, and though the winds are wild,
I know a place where flowers bloom, all pink, and white and sweet—
'Tis where the florists' windows light the dreary city street.

In bleak January comes sleet and comes ice,
And also Carnations all smelling of spice;
Though in February it freezes and snows,
We find Poinsettia, and dainty Primrose.

When March winds are blowing so bitter and shrill
We see in the windows the fair Daffodill;
And white Easter Lilies, the sweetest of flowers,
Will blossom in April, in spite of the showers.

Sweet Lilac will greet us on some sunny day,
Along with the little white Bells of the May;
And when merry springtime has come to a close,
Sure June will come, bringing each kind of a Rose.

The tall spires of Larkspur we'll find in July,
They seem to be made of small bits of the sky;
And always in August, though scorching the heat,
The Tuberose is blooming, so waxen and sweet.

September brings Asters, and they seem to say,
'Twill soon be the ending of summer's fair day;
And with the fine Dahlia in her velvet ruff,
Be sure bright October has color enough.

Chrysanthemum blooms at the end of the fall,
The tallest and stateliest flower of all;
And when the green sprays of the Holly appear,
It's plain to us all blessed Christmas is near.

And so, with the flowers in their season to cheer,
The city can follow the round of the year,
Until in the midnight, with bells and with din,
The North Wind comes, blowing the white New Year in.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 6, 1914. Cecil Cavendish.

THE SHADY SIDE OF LIFE.

Men or women are old as they feel.
Don't measure a person by years;
One may feel old at thirty, while another,
At double that age, young appears.

It's the spirit within us that tells,
A flag that is ever unfurled.
Be cheerful, responsive, and keep
In touch with the ways of the world.

Don't brood o'er the trouble that's past,
Don't air it again and again.
The bridge you are fearing to pass,
May prove but a worry in vain.

Don't think of yourself, or your ills,
Be helpful to others, and kind;
Be merry, and happy, and laugh.
It's the way to keep young, you will find.

Nashua, N. H.

Bethra Liedean.

HEPATIC TRILOBA.

Ere March winds melt the snows away,
In bosky dells you'll early find,
Where woodsy Fern plumes ever sway,
The Triloba leaf crimson lined,
Dyed as with wines of last year's age,
Rich tinted glow on spring's first page.

Above the trefoil emerald green,
Borne on fuzzy stems anew,
A tuft of creamy bloom is seen;
Bud's tinted lilac pink, in dew
Full blown to lavender at last
With coming age are whitening fast.

Eckert, Colo.

Unita.

A ROSE.

Oh! let me catch the odor of yon Rose so rare,
Sweet wafted down the tides of summer air;
It glows more gracious in the coppice there,
Than when made tribute to my lady's hair!



No tribute then to win your love
(And garnered to a swift decline);
The rather should you bend above,
In silent worship at its shrine!

It dawns on my conception clear,
That such an object, tender, sweet,
Should have for a beholder, dear,
Its counterpart—a maid discreet!

No cunning alchemist can hold
The scent within its garment's fold;
Nor the rapt artist's brush retain
A moment's space the fleeting stain.

For deffest fingers can but harm.
Touch; you destroy the virgin charm;
The perfume flees, the colors fade,
When vandal touches do invade!

So leave it swaying wild and free,
True comrade of the bird and bee;
Lulled by the evening wind's refrain;
Baptized by summer's softest rain!

Oh! let me catch the odor of yon Rose so rare,
Sweet wafted down the tides of summer air;
It glows more precious in its coppice there,
Than when made tribute to my lady's hair!

Shelbyville, Ind.

Alonzo L. Rice.

MY WINTER GARDEN.

Banked along the window ledge
In their pebbly beds they stand,
Crocus with the pretty pledge
Winter's scoff to reprimand
With a sudden burst of bloom,
Bringing springtime close to hand,
In my little garden room.

Hyacinth in shining vase,
With the bulbous Lilies vie,
Wearing each a smiling face
And a touch of summer sky.
Ah! how cheerfully they strive
Dreary days to beautify,
And old memories revive.

Rare and pleasing, to my sight
Straight and tall, Narcissus green,
Springing drinks the feeble light
Through the wintry window seen,
Growing blossom-ward apace;
Buds like golden stars at night
Soon my dainty host will grace.

Let old winter snarl and blow
O'er the fields where Daisies sleep,
O'er the dells where drifted snow
Carries honied beauty deep,
For my flowerets scorn his power,
And a cozy revel keep
In their warm and pleasant bower.

Wm. Prindle Alexander.

CARNATION DAY.

January 29th, Birthday of President McKinley.

To cheer the mind and keep it free from care,
It has been said that God made lovely flowers;
'Tis blest to learn a leader knew their share
Of solace sweet; from famous halls and towers
Of public life, he turned, sometimes, to fair
And quiet ways, where he was wont to spare
Among the blooms he loved, some tranquil hours.

Perhaps he knew a nook, inviting rest,
Where kindly smiled the spring and winter suns;
Where pomp and pride were never manifest,
Nor sounds of trafficking, nor boom of guns;
But where Carnations, crimson-hued of crest,
In soothing ways, such sympathy expressed,
He said, "Thou art of flowers my favored ones."

So passersby of high degree and low,
Today a flower in memory display;
In dreary places buds of crimson glow,
In vivid contrast to the wintry way;
A restless wind is wafting to and fro
Sweet scents; thus colors, odors, blend and show
The chosen emblem of Carnation Day.

As we, too, pluck Carnations, freshly blown,
Whose perfect, spicy graces never irk,
We pause like him who chose them for his own,
To note what harmonies within them lurk;
Resolving now, our daily acts be known
By something of the glow and fragrance shown
Within these gems of God's fair handiwork.

M. V. Z.

OUR WOODLAND VALLEY.

Pendant from the leaves and branches,
In a woodland valley glade,
Thickly, sparkling raindrops mingle
With the sunlight and the shade.
Vale of wildwood shine and shadow,
Dear I held thee long ago;
Now dearer, filled with memory's treasures,
Still thy mystic haunts I know.
I have seen thee oft in winter,
With thy bosom wrapped in snow—
In the darkness—in the starlight—
In the early morning glow;
Or, with liquid jewels frozen
On thy boughs, oh, lovely sight!
It seemed a glimpse of glory,
In the moon's resplendent light.
For the good Creator decked thee
In his robes of shining ice,
And my spirit dreamed of jewels
In the crowns of Paradise.
Green and fertile, charming valley,
Voices in thy bosom sleep.
Music breathes, and joyous laughter;
Then slumbering echoes wake and weep.
Now that floating mists are golden,
With Nature's melodies to cheer,
With the sunshine, weaving shadows
And thy memories, all are here.

One to whom I leave our valley
May wander through its light and shade,
And hear my voice, while memories tender
Fill her woodland valley glade.
Welshfield, O. Leon Morrow.

THE SNOW.

See the heavy snow descending,
Soft and white and still,
To our dreary landscape lending
Peace and purity.

Angels far from Heaven above,
Sending fragments of God's love,
To our troubled spirits lending
Peace and purity.

Windom, Minn.

Clara Carolyne Schroeder.

MY GARDEN PLOT.

Fate had bestowed on me a garden plot
To tend and cherish, a secluded spot
Near to the Common Way, yet all unseen
Save when on-peered through the tall hedge of green,
And oft as in its sheltered space I toiled,
I counted my days lost and talents spoiled,
Because I needs must work incessantly
To keep my garden fresh and fair to see.

And as I labored ever, long and late,
The Workers in the World surged past my gate,
While I, unnoticed, watched them hasten by
With a fierce longing which was agony.
Ambition clamored loud for fuller sway
To spread its giant wings and fly away,
Out in the throng mighty deeds to do,
Within the hedge my interests were so few.

A beggar woman, who each early morn,
While the fair earth still blushed at kiss of dawn,
Stopped for a Rose to carry on her way
Into the want and squalor of her day.
A little child, whose mother had to strive
For the scant means to keep them both alive,
Played in my garden plot right merrily,
Filling the air with laughter and with glee.

But what were these to stay my eager feet?
I left my garden for the city street,
And in its marts much honor was my share,
One must be wise to keep a garden fair!
But as the crowded hours quickly sped,
Rest and contentment seemed forever fled,
Until at last my weary footsteps turned
Back to the garden which I once had spurned.

The gate hung broken on a hinge of rust,
Flowers and leaves were crumbling in the dust,
Save where a few stripped bushes, stark and dry,
Pointed accusing fingers to the sky,
And there beside the hedge so brown and bare,
Near the sad garden, which was once so fair,
The beggar woman sobbed with drooping head,
Like my neglected flowers, the child was dead.

New York City.

Florence L. Patterson.

FOR ME.

The birds sing sweetly in the briar,
Their song so full of glee,
And my heart responds in joy each hour,
For their songs are meant for me.

The Roses bloom, and fragrance rare
Is wafted on the lee;
Their sweetness lifts a load of care,
For the blooms are meant for me.

The green fields smile with peaceful mien,
While babbling brooks so free
Ripple o'er life's sands, calm, serene,
And all is meant for me.

Oh, music sweet of brook and bird,
With flowers and fragrance free,
God's love in nature ever heard,
Reveals his care for me.

Hamilton Co., Tenn., Jan. 20, 1914. Mrs. C. P.

PANSIES.

Pretty bright faces turned up to me,
Purple and yellow and blue ones I see;
Those sweet little blossoms resembling a face,
Never can know of their wonderful grace.

Their faces we are always so glad to meet,
For they're held as a token of remembrance sweet;
Each flower reminds us of friendship's true worth,
And the modest home life that we find 'round the hearth.

Huntingdon, Pa.

Mrs. Jas. Cunningham.

JANUARY.

Hail! first-born of the glad new year!
No flowers bloom for thee,
But in the softest ermine robes
Thou'rt wrapped most royally.
Thy touch brings Roses to the cheeks,
Thy advent fireside joy bespeaks;
And maketh hearts to warm and glow,
And freely, bounteous gifts bestow
In sweet, sweet charity.

The little children love thy voice
And hail thee with delight,
When from the Northland comest thou,
With diamonds sparkling bright.
When sleighbells jingle sweet and clear,
And skaters' laughter fills the air;
When hearts and homes with lovelight glow,
O who would winter's joys forego,
Or speed them in their flight!

Bolivar, W. Va.

Blanche A. Wheatley.

WINTER.

The fierce and wintry winds go whistling by,
And branches on the trees toss to and fro,
While 'round we see the ice and banks of snow,
And overhead the dark and sullen sky.

The boys and girls are skating on the pond,
And joyfully we see them whirling round;
And though 'tis cold, much joy is surely found,
By those who of the season's sport are fond.

Now swiftly down the hill the coasters slide,
And when they reach the bottom, on the plain,
They climb the hill and soon go down again,
For though 'tis cold they're seeming satisfied.

Some of the bigger folks prefer indoor,
And through the window Grandpa's looking out,
Sees all at play, and hears their merry shout,
Reminding him of happy days of yore.

Though winter brings us ice, and cold and snow,
If hearts are young, all earth is fair indeed;
For the cheer of happy life is what we need
To keep us young, and banish all our woe.

St. Louis, Mo.

Albert E. Vassar

GIFTS.

All gifts are meant as tokens of true love,
The sweetest virtue strayed from Heaven above.
As such should be from earthly tarnish free,
And fraught with power to win unselfish love.
Who giveth food or raiment, giveth well
The gifts that man's corporeal wants dispell;
None should despise such gifts or fail to prize
Their worth, for true they do their service well
Who giveth flowers to feed the soul with joy
As they unfold, doth richest gift employ;
Though flowers may, their memory makes a raid
On heart of man no evil can destroy.

Lindley, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1914. John Calvin Rose.

BUTTERFLY AND ROSEBUD.

A cocoon and a Rosebud hung
Side by side on the same Rose tree;
The sunbeams broke their fetters,
And set both the prisoners free.

All wrinkled were wings and petals,
As they basked in the sun's bright ray;
They bathed in the dew together,
Thus stronger they grew each day.

The butterfly kissed the Rosebud,
As it opened its petals wide;
Then spreading its wings soared away,
And the sweet Rose withered and died.

Austin, Ill.

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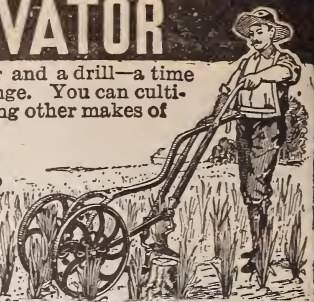
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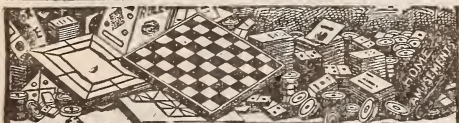
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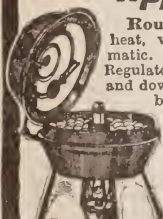
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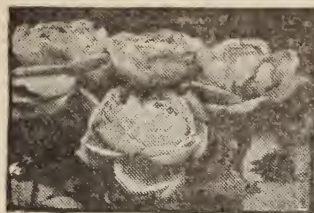
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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl nine years old, and in the fourth grade. I enjoy the Magazine, which Mama has taken for a long time. We have an Orange tree which had thirty oranges on it. We also have a Lemon tree. We keep a large box of Pansies in our window behind the stove. I have a pet pig named Goldie. I am going to get a little white dog in the spring.

Martinsville, O., Jan. 3, 1914. Gladys Shaw.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 12 years old and live in the country. They raise a great many strawberries here. My brothers were here last summer, and sister and I came and picked strawberries. I earned \$12.72. My home is in Humansville, Mo. Papa, mamma and I came down here last fall.

Vera Root.

Newton Co., Mo., Jan. 19, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy nine years old, and live on Grandview farm. We have 27 hogs, 5 sheep, 6 horses, 5 cows and a calf. I raise ducks. I have two pet dogs, two squirrels and a goat. Your Magazine comes once a month



and I enjoy it very much.

Clarence Rau.

Brown Co., Ohio, Jan. 13, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy 11 years old, and live on a farm of twenty-seven acres. I have a dog and a pig. Mamma has taken your Magazine several years and we all like it.

Arthur Cloudis.

Livingston Co., Mo., Jan. 11, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl 16 years old, and live on a farm of 93½ acres. We keep six cows and three horses. I am in the eighth grade, and walk two and one-half miles to school. We have a big bed of flowers in our front yard in summer. We do not have very good luck with Tuberose and Begonias. Will some please tell me how to care for them? Postals exchanged.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl 11 years old, and in the fourth grade. I have a pet dog named Grover. I go to school every day, and enjoy it. I have two brothers and one sister. My sister, Mabel, teaches school. Ozella Scott.
Brown Co., Ohio, Jan. 9, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 14 years old, and go two miles to school. My mother has taken your Magazine three years. We have a club in our school called the "Audubon Bird Society." I am



president. It is a society to prevent the destruction of birds. We are making every effort to keep the English Sparrow from destroying the eggs of our song birds. Harvey Barrett.
Broome Co., N. Y., Jan. 9, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farm girl 11 years old, and walk three-fourths of a mile to school. We live on a forty-acre farm, and have sixteen cows, two colts, two mules, and about 100 head of hogs. I have a dog named Browdie. My favorite flowers are Bleeding Heart and Hyacinth. Thelma Cutting.
Butler Co., Mo., Jan. 13, 1914.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 13 years old and in the seventh grade. I go a half mile to school. I live on a farm of 50 acres. My grandmother and aunt live on the same farm. Papa has five horses. Mamma has taken your Magazine about ten years. I am always very glad when it comes, for I like to read the Children's Letters. Postals exchanged. Jennie Heverly.
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And, as I wrote once before, down where meadow meets mountain the deer graze peacefully—also the coyotes howl and wildcats skulk.

Just now "We Two" are alone and I have to help "John," so my work seems rough. I'd do more if I could, rather than he should ask me to leave our haven of rest (and toll) to live in the city. Most of the things I see in the city I can do without, but the things I have here I do not wish to do without, and they'll not bear "transplanting." Yours for the farm, Molly-Betty.

Los Angeles Co., Calif., May 13, 1913.

From Maine.—Mr. Park: I have just read your note under the head of "Can a man use tobacco and respect the rights of others?" I feel like shouting "hooray!" It would have been a whispered "hooray," for I lost my voice six years ago. Last summer, when I was too sick to handle a book, a tiny Magazine was brought to my bed. On looking I found it was Park's Magazine, shorn of all medical advertisements. I just laughed. "I hope they are satisfied, and will scratch around and make up for that," said I.

But I missed them, and was truly glad to see them once more, though I never have answered one. I understand that they are a great help to all publications.

I wonder why we do not hear more about those Achimenes. Mae Shaw.

Levant, Me., June, 1913.

From California.—Dear Mr. Park: I am an old lady and love flowers, but there are some kinds that interest me more than others. They are Lilies and Gladiolus, though every flower is lovely to me. There is a Lily I want very much. When a little girl I lived in Marquette County, Wis., and on the road to the Poplar grove grew two species of Lilies, one the Tiger Lily, the other a scarlet or rather cardinal in color, flowers bell-shaped and without spots, growing in clusters at the top of the stem, and slightly bending toward the ground. They grew about 18 inches high. Of course there are finer Lilies, but not one I like so well. A year or two ago Georgina Townsend, of California, wrote a description of a Lily she had, and I immediately wanted it and wrote for a bulb, but she sent me some seeds. I now have a couple of bulbs, and hope they will bloom next summer. She was so kind to send the seeds. Mrs. H. K. Price.

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[Note.—It may be that the flower wanted is the old-fashioned Day Lily, *Hemerocallis fulva*, so common in old gardens in the Eastern States.—Ed.]

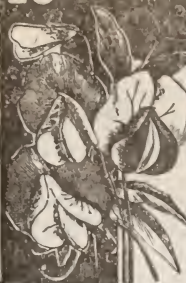
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From California.—Mr. Park: My parents and all of us love the birds of the forest, and any kind of wild flowers. There is a kind of wild flower here which resembles the Cyclamen, and is called Johnny-jump-up or Shooting Star. It blooms earliest of all and is mauve in color, also a few white. There are Tiger Lilies along the creek that flows through our ranch, also wild Roses, and wild Gooseberries with horns ail over the berries. They have lovely reddish-purple flowers and the fruit makes excellent jelly. There is a shrub we call Blue Brush that is lovely for weeks in summer.

We live at the base of Mount Burney, at an elevation of 400 feet, and up on the mountain-side are white Lilies with pink specks, and some with brown and purple spots on a waxy white ground. There are fragrant Tuberose growing from one and one-half to five feet tall, and one plant sometimes has twenty flowers, and a single flower is sometimes five inches across. They bloom in June and July. They take kindly to cultivation, as we have some in our garden that we planted five years ago.

Mr. Park, come and see us up in our mountain home, seventy-five miles from a railroad. I think you will find it more beautiful than Germany.

Faith W. Rutledge.

Hat Creek, Calif., Feb. 6, 1913.

[Note.—The Editor would like to visit the wilds of California during the blooming season. However, he can hardly hope to go to a section seventy-five miles from a railroad, unless the roads are good and he can secure automobile service. But the kind invitation is fully appreciated, whether he can accept it or not.—]

From Minnesota.—Mr Park: I have taken your Magazine for a number of years and enjoy it very much. I love flowers, and have made some exchanges through the exchange column. Two years ago we came up here on a homestead, and hope to have a good flower garden soon. This is a new country, but settling up. There are lots of deer and bear. The timber is pine, spruce, balsam cedar, birch, poplar and tamarack. There are lots of wild fruits, such as blue berries, raspberries, strawberries, cranberries, Juneberries, etc., and two miles from town. The roads are not good, but they are building roads.

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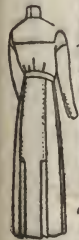
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We have many flowers at home, and I think my favorites are the yellow and white ones. I like white Sweet Peas, with just a sprig of Salvia splendens for a bouquet; they look so dainty.

One of our house Roses has just bloomed. It is a Perle des Jardins. In the window it reminded me of sunshine. I also enjoy the wild flower garden with blue, white and yellow Violets, Adder-tongues, Trillium Lilies, Squirrel Corn, Mayflowers, etc.

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Grace Hoskins.

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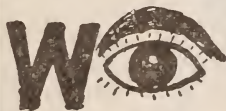
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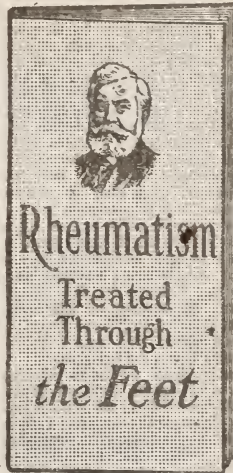
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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Pennsylvania.—I live in the woods, eight miles from Galeton, on a farm home, and all through the summer months the Magazine is very welcome; but it is doubly so in the long winter time. I could not get along very well without my little Magazine. It is very cold here at times through the summer months. Of all the flowers I grow the dear little flower faces of my Pansy bed are the most satisfactory. I had beautiful Sweet Williams, just handsome flower heads, all colors of them. My Sweet Peas were lovely, too, and my old-fashioned Bachelor Buttons just outdid themselves. I gathered great bunches of them all summer, and gave to my friends. They were so free to send out flowers to me. I planted the seeds last fall, and they stood all of the winter's frost, also the June frosts. It froze on the 12th of June one inch ice on the washdish on our porch. It is a southwestern exposure, too. Oh! of all the brave little flower soldiers, the Pansy is the bravest of them all. It is snowing outdoors now, and there are still large beautiful faces (all the other flowers are gone long ago), cream, yellow and blue, to the deepest purple, almost black. They are beautiful, and in the spring when the blanket of snow is gone, there will be big fat buds all ready to greet me, Potter Co., Pa. Mrs. W. S. Brown.

From Tennessee.—Mr. Park: I am trying to have an old-fashioned flower garden. I have 200 Roses (75 varieties), Pinks, Dahlias, Sweet Violets, Daffodils, Hyacinths, Lilies and others too numerous to mention, besides shrubs. My garden is on top of historic "Missionary Ridge," or Mission Ridge as we call it. The name of our place is "Cloud Crest. My garden is about one acre and has a southeastern slope. The land is gravelly, sandy soil with red clay subsoil, just the ideal land for most every kind of flower; and they do grow and bloom wonderfully, too, to the admiration of all who see them. I give my flowers to the city school children regularly as each kind of flower comes in bloom, from the early Daffodils to Roses in May and June. I give them by the hundreds to the children in bouquets. The Southside W. C. T. U. place a scripture card with a white ribbon bow on each bouquet given in the school. We supply one room at a time. We gave over 1000 last spring, all very good size bouquets. I pass this on, so that others might think of the children in cities who have no flowers, and as they are blessed with them might share their blessing with others. Chattanooga, Tenn. Mrs. T. W. Brown.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From West Virginia.—Dear Mr. Park:—Kindly permit me space in your valuable Magazine to thank and congratulate your correspondent, A. M. H., of DeLong, Ill., for the article in the January issue so nobly defending the memory of Frances E. Willard against an undeserved and unmanly attack upon the name of America's greatest woman by one T. S. Weaver, of Vera, S. D. As one of the 300,000 followers of Frances E. Willard, and a White Ribboner of West Virginia, I take great pride in the fact that, in 1912, I gave my feeble efforts toward the ratification of a prohibition amendment to our State constitution, which was carried by the unprecedented majority of 92,342. By these figures, attesting the status of West Virginia's manhood, it will be seen that men of the Weaver type are, necessarily, few in the "Little Mountain State." As to woman suffrage, it is a foregone conclusion that men of the same ilk as T. S. Weaver are almost the only opponents to a movement which means a great power for greater good in a nation where even the memory of a noble woman is not exempt from insult at the hands of one who, by reason of his cowardliness, has no right to a voice in the making of laws under which we, as voteless women, are compelled to live, and to which we are required, unjustly, to conform.

The accompanying verses, known as the "Amendment" poem, will, I trust (if given space), find favor in the eyes of A. M. H., or any other reader of our Floral Magazine, who reveres and respects the name of Frances E. Willard.

Bolivar, W. Va.

Blanche A. Wheatley.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Oh State of my nativity!

Whose lofty mountains pierce the sky,
And fold their shadows lovingly
Where verdant valleys sweetly lie;
Where Nature with a lavish hand
Spread fairest fields and forests grand,
Where smiling hills and noble streams
Surpass in beauty poets' dreams;
Lift high thy colors, gold and blue
And praise the Lord, with all thy might,
For thy strong sons so brave and true.

Oh, war-born State, whose mountains rang

With civil conflict years ago,
Where shells their dreadful peans sang
O'er heroes in the dust laid low;
Where sabres clashed and cannon roared,
Now myriad voices, in accord,
To Heaven shout the victor's song—
Right's bloodless triumph over Wrong!
Oh, West Virginia! tried and true,
Thy mountaineers in truth are free,
And 'mong thy colors, gold and blue,
A RIBBON WHITE twines lovingly.

Oh, little mountain state so fair,

Be proud of those brave sons of thine
Who fought the vampire in his lair
And conquered, with a power divine!
Thy skies smile down on fertile fields,
Thy bosom untold treasure yields—
Let Love and Peace to Home return,
While men God's goodness daily learn.

Oh, State of my nativity,
Whose lofty mountains pierce the sky,
Well may thy children happy be
Within thy realm to live and die!

Bolivar, W. Va.

Blanche A. Wheatley.

QUESTIONS

Azaleas.—Will someone who has had good success with Azaleas give their method of treatment after the plant blooms, and during summer. My plant was sunk in earth all summer, in a northern exposure, but it does not look very well. I have it now in a southern window upstairs, where the temperature is not high, but where Cyclamens do well.—Mrs. L. M. Means, Auglaize Co., Ohio, Dec. 9, 1913.

Care of Begonias.—Will someone please tell me through the Magazine how to care for Begonia Gloire de Lorraine after blooming, and during the summer?—Mrs. Fred Crosby, Jackson Co., Mo., Dec. 17, 1913.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Birds Disappearing.—Just one word about those birds. I love them, but I am mystified about their disappearance. Years ago—and not so many either—the old Pine tree which stands above our home was a nesting place for flocks of Robins as well as other birds, and the shrubbery below abounded with nests of Humming Birds. Now the birds are all gone. I never see a Robin or a Humming Bird, nor yellow birds, which formerly were plenty, picking up seeds from the plants growing near. But when I look into millinery stores, and see the ladies' bonnets I do not wonder why we do not see more birds. It certainly was not cats that put them there. It is wicked men and boys and vain women who are to blame for the disappearance of the birds. I am sorry there are people in the world so barbarous and cruel-natured as to delight in taking the life of an innocent and useful little bird, when in reality more deserving of life than their wanton murderers.

Nan L. Connor.

Burnham, Me.

From Texas.—Mr. Park: My mother wrote to your little girl contributor, Claribel Pörn, and asked for the answer to her riddle:

"Open like a barn door,

Ears like a cat;

Guess all your life

And you'll never guess that."

The little miss answered the letter, asking my mother to write again, which she did; so you are responsible for a pleasant spot in my mother's sad and lonely life. The answer to the riddle is "A pair of shears."

Mrs. Collins.

Greenville, Texas, Nov. 6, 1913.

From Texas.—Mr. Park: We have many lovely wild flowers here in Texas, but our native Cactuses are wonderful. We have 12 or 15 species and they grow and bloom so freely. Some bloom in winter, some in spring and some in summer and autumn. The flowers are almost every shade of color. I am going to get as many new subscribers for the Magazine as I can and I hope others will do the same.

San Saba, Tex., 1913.

Mrs. C. S. York.

From New York.—Mr. Park: I take the liberty to tell you something about friends of flowers and nature. The German apothecaries of New York and Brooklyn, and other friends of botany had fifteen excursions in the suburbs of New York City. Dr. Mansfield, teacher of botany at the New College of Pharmacy, led the outings, which were attended by 25 to 35 persons. All present gathered what was most interesting to themselves. Then all the specimens were looked at and the Doctor gave the names of all. Something was told about their uses in medicine and otherwise. The names of trees and shrubs when met were given in English and Latin. When the season and weather become unpleasant the Doctor takes all his friends and scholars to the Horticultural Museum and gives an introduction to Dr. Winter, who explains the commercial and medicinal value of the live, the dried and preserved specimens from the tropics and other parts of the world. The New York and also the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens were also visited, and lectures and explanations given free. As Dr. Mansfield offered a continuation of such trips and lectures, it proves that there are people living who love to impart useful as well as pleasant information to their fellow creatures. Anyone outside of New York wishing to attend these outings and lectures should get acquainted with Drs. Mansfield and Winters.

Chas. Dreyer.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1913.

Coral Cactus.—Mr. Park: I have a Coral Cactus that is nearly forty years old and doing well. I grew it from a cutting. I have just passed my seventy-sixth birthday.

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Elmira, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1913.

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CORRESPONDENCE.
From Colorado.—Mr. Park:—I began to exchange plants last March, and will give you my experience. I have received seeds from every corner in the Union, and have returned for every package but one from Wisconsin. That contained a fine variety of flower seeds, but the sender's name was not given. There were so many really comfy letters that I should have been delighted to answer had they contained a stamped envelope. Every mail was burdened with packages and letters containing seeds, seeds, seeds, until it became quite a joke with the postmaster. I have also received many inquiries about this "Beulah land" as a summer resort, and for a permanent home. I will gladly answer such inquiries providing a stamped envelope is enclosed.
Mrs. Frank P. Howard.

Beulah, Pueblo Co., Colo.

Birds and Cherries.—That birds are indispensable is generally admitted, but it is amusing to hear people say, "plant extra trees for the birds." If they said plant a dozen extra trees for the birds, no one would be surprised. The birds will consume a lot of extra fruit, but they more than repay the damage done, by eating insects that would otherwise ruin whole orchards, to say nothing of gardens. Vivian M. Swanson, Marin Co., Calif.

Note.—It is far better to plant trees of Russian Mulberry than Cherry trees, as they begin to bear early, and the slender branches become wreaths of fruit every season. The fruit does not all ripen at once, but ripens successively and gradually for at least two months, and the birds can help themselves at any time during that period. As a rule, birds will not eat Cherries if they can get Mulberries, as the Mulberries are sweeter, and they do not have to be to the trouble of taking out the seeds, as with Cherries. The trees are perfectly hardy and not subject to insects, except a Caterpillar, which sometimes eats the leaves, and which is readily destroyed. They are not hard to transplant, and form a handsome shade tree, thus they are valuable for ornament as well as for economical purposes. The berries are small, not as large as the cherries, and are preferred by the bird on that account, also. A few trees should be planted at every home, simply for the value of the fruit as bird food.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From New York. Mr. Park:—I must write and tell you how very comforting your little Magazine is to me. I have all the numbers since I subscribed last summer, and they are more to me than any other Magazine or paper. The description of your walks through your grounds are as real as though I were with you. Your article, "Under the Linden Tree," caused happy tears to flow. I, too, love trees, and some of the pleasantest memories of childhood are shared with beautiful trees. One day I took a trolley to my old home and walked through the fields and woodlands, among Wild Roses and Thornbushes, past the old Linden Tree, to a knoll at the foot of a swamp. Here the most beautiful scene that only Nature can give us, opened before me.



"RABBIT THAT SCAMPERED PAST."

The dark green of the bushes and brakes on the background, and in the swamp the mass of tender, silvery-green foliage, just covered with orange flowers, spotted with red and brown. Lady Slippers mingle here and there with clumps of

the purple Aster. Seated upon an old stump I breathed the lovely soft air and enjoyed the scene before me, until darkness drew its curtain and shut off the view. The picture was all my own, save for a baby rabbit that scampered past, and as twilight came, the birds enlivened the place with evening songs. I felt like a new person on arriving, and no doctor's medicine could have done me more good than dear old Mother Nature did that lovely afternoon. Mrs. G. F. Sniffin.

Orange Co., N. Y.

From Michigan.—Mr. Park: I have been an interested reader of your little Magazine for ten years and I have taken a keen interest in the cat and tobacco questions.

We have here many birds, from crane, hawk and crow to mocking, blue and humming birds. Jays are building a nest in front of the house. While I do not admire their vocal powers, they are certainly gamey and beautiful. On the other hand the mocking bird is as plain as a quaker,

but sings like a prima-donna, only not so high priced; and when the Gladiolus plants blossom the humming birds will come for sweets. I love these visitors, and keep no cat to eat them; and I question if any real lover of birds ever tolerates a cat. Mice sometimes trouble me. I then set a trap, and notice that my neighbors

buy mouse traps, even though they keep a supply of cats. The daily papers plead with us continually during the summer months to "swat the flies," because they are dirty, filthy and germ carriers. What a howl the papers would put up if in addition, the flies were bird-killers! Now, a cat is all this and more. So why not start a "Swat the cat" society? I am willing to do my part in this line as long as I see these four-footed sneak-thieves lying low to catch and kill the sweet singers. Who will help to "swat the cat" and save the birds? Cranky Bachelor No. 999.

St. Joe. Co., Mich., May 15, 1913.

MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine for twenty-five years, and will try to take it always, as I cannot get along without it. Mrs. F. Baseler
Frankfort, S. D., Sept., 20, 1913.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From West Virginia.—Mr. Park: I always enjoy the letters from the subscribers in the Floral Magazine. Just now I am especially interested in Roses. A neighbor bought from an agent a Rose labeled, "Empress of China," but it is evidently misnamed. It is ten feet high, the canes not very thorny, the foliage large but not rough. It bloomed and the flowers were four and one-half inches across, fine for cutting, and last well. The color is a rich, light pink, creamier than the wild Rose. The petals recurve and do not open flat. The flowers are very double, and do not show a center, as many of the hybrid Tea Roses. The buds are as beautiful as Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, the center being deeper in color than the outer edge, and very fragrant. What is its name?

I also have a Rose that I would like to know the name of. Its flower is bright red, lighter than the Jacqueminot. The flowers last well, both on and off the bush, the buds being large and pointed, borne on a long stem, very fragrant, blooms in May or June, and has flowers on until frost; quite hardy. It will grow from fifteen to twenty-feet high, bearing dozens of full blown Roses at one time, and dozens of buds too, the flowers being from three to four and one-half inches in diameter when in full bloom. I feel sure that Bobby Burns had just such a rose in mind when he sang "O, my love is like a red, red rose." M. C. P.

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TOWSER.

When a lad, living in my old Poughkeepsie home, we had a faithful dog by the name of Towser. The manner in which we came into possession of this noble dog was peculiar and seemed to be a case of love at first sight, as Towser had been spoken to kindly by my brother, and had come home to live with us. He remained for many years and proved to be a faithful companion, never manifesting any selfishness. He was always willing to share his meal with any other dog, and rather than quarrel over a bone, he would walk away and leave it altogether. Towser was a thick-set dog, with short legs and a bob tail, color reddish brown with a white breast that would remind one of a lady with an apron, as she passes the cake around. One summer our whole family was preparing to go off for a month's vacation, 80 miles away, to mother's home of her childhood. Towser saw that something unusual was going on, and watched us fasten the barn, closing all the shutters of the house, and locking doors, so had taken in the full situation and determined not to be left out. I can imagine him sitting out in front watching the man put the trunks into the express wagon, and the family all dressed and going off, and Towser, too. We tried our best to drive him back, and when we reached the car line we thought we had a chance to get rid of him, but he kept up with the car, and at the river we drove him off again, feeling glad we had succeeded, but after we had gone about eight miles down the Hudson one of the family exclaimed "Oh, there is Towser." Then my brother picked him up in an instant and threw him into the foaming river, and yet he was determined to go with us, and tried to keep up with the steamer and swells going over his head, but finally we lost sight of him. At Newburgh we landed and took a train to Monticello, over the mountains. Thirty days later we returned home again, not expecting to meet Towser, but when we were a long way off Towser came rushing to meet us, and cut a circle 'round us for joy, making a queer noise and kick-



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ing up the dust as he circled 'round us a dozen times. Towser had known what his duty was, and had gone back to watch the house while we were away, and never even helped himself to a spring chicken, which he might have done; but had taken care of himself in some way and was in fine spirits.

Albert E. Vassar.

St. Louis, Mo.

[Note.—This very touching incident is but one tribute to the faithfulness of a noble dog, and admonishes us to treat kindly and affectionately a dumb brute that possesses the admirable qualities of true-hearted love and friendship. A good dog cares not whether his master is rich or poor. He will endure poverty, suffering and distress rather than be false to a friend; and when the last day of separation comes he has been known to mourn by the grave until death relieved his parting sadness and sorrow. What a lesson is here for humanity! Would that it were better inculcated, that the world might be better and happier. As I write these lines I am reminded of that beautiful and plaintive song, "Old Dog Tray," composed and sung by Stephen Collins Foster, who, in his poverty and loneliness in advanced life found old dog Tray a most faithful and sympathetic companion, and immortalized him in his verse and song. The words are as follows, and were set to suitable touching music, which older readers may recall:

OLD DOG TRAY.

The morn of life is past,
And evening comes at last,
It brings me a dream of a once happy day.
Of merry forms I've seen
Upon the village green,
Sporting with my old dog Tray.

Chorus:

Old dog Tray's ever faithful,
Grief cannot drive him away;
He's gentle, he is kind,
I'll never, never find
A better friend than old dog Tray.

The forms I called my own
Have vanished one by one; [away;
The loved ones, the dear ones have all passed
Their happy smiles have flown,
Their gentle voices gone;
I've nothing left but old dog Tray.

Chorus:

When thoughts recall the past
His eyes are on me cast; [would say;
I know that he feels what my breaking heart
Although he cannot speak,
I'll vainly, vainly seek,
A better friend than old dog Tray.

Chorus:

Mr. Foster was also author of "Old Uncle Ned," "Swanee River," "Massa's in de Cold, Cold Ground," "Old Folks at Home," "Old Black Joe," etc., all of which are yet popular and favorite songs, though "Old Dog Tray" is not so well known. The old songster died in a New York hospital, January 18, 1864.—Editor.]

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Maggie Figett, Wolfe City, Texas.
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Lera McKinnin, Allison, Okla.
Mabel Harrison, Indiana.
Thelma Hersch, Missouri.
Katie Cordrey, Laurel, Del., R. 1.
Mildred Downs, Freeland, Md., R. 3.
Kennedy M. Percy, Martinsville, Ind.
Adelia J. Alderman, Middlefield, Mass.
Roxie Shackelford, Covin, Ala.
Bella C. Callahan, Kenard, Pa.
Bernice Jesse, Fort Cobb, Okla.
Mabel Mounts, Blue Lick, Mo.
Lillian Slemmer, Upper Sandusky, Ohio.
Wilhelm Gemaehlick, Burdett, Colo.
Albert Trees, Burley, Idaho, R. 1.
Eva Trees, Burley, Idaho, R. 1.
Verda Kuhn, Dubois, Ill.
Isabelle Jahnke, Luana, Iowa.
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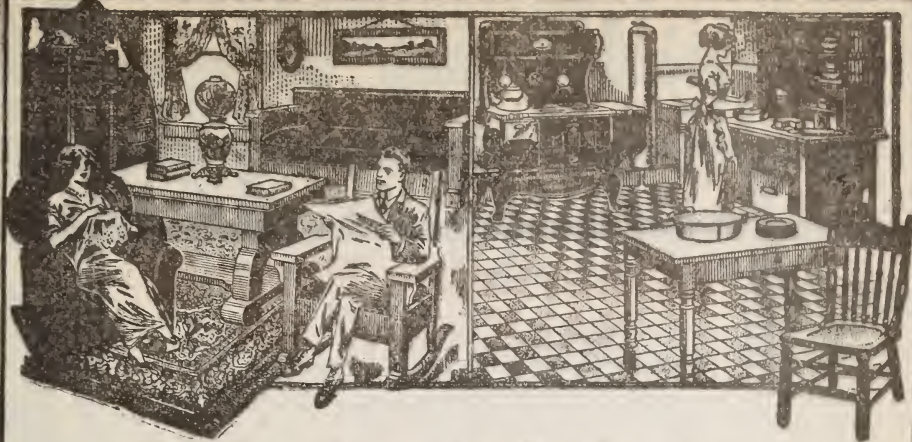
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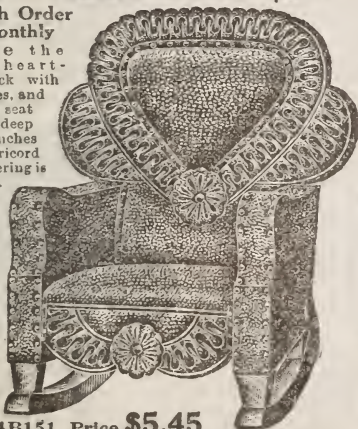
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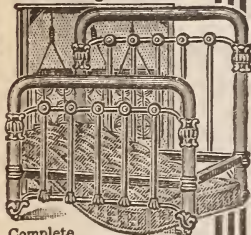
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